

NEWS

County searching for funds for liaison officer

Crawford County officials last week decided to review their budgets with a fine-toothed comb to determine if they can keep a school liaison officer in the halls of schools for the Crawford AuSable School District.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, at its regular monthly meeting last week, directed its audit committee to find \$11,000 to fund the school liaison officer's position until the end of the school year.

Last month, over a two-week span, state lawmakers cut the Crawford AuSable School District's budget to the tune of \$525,000. **8A**

SPORTS

Basketball team to rely on 'speed,' 'defense'



This year's Grayling High School varsity girls basketball squad - a team that has only 10 players, most of them juniors - will try to rely on its "speed," "defense," and "quickness" to win games this year.

"One of the main things we're working toward is improving and focusing on our strengths, using our speed and our quickness," said Kelly Sheehan, who's in her third season as coach of the Vikings.

The program will have a young varsity team this year - seven of the squad's 10 players are 11th graders. The team has two seniors and one freshman.

The Vikings will play in their season opener next week. **12A**

Young hunters win top prizes during buck pole event



Grayling now has 51 years of hosting Michigan whitetailed deer hunters and providing them with the opportunity to display their results on a traditional buck pole. The Orangecoat Roundup, a two-day event hosted by Skip's Sport Shop and organized by the Camp Grayling Conservation Club, featured a total of 28 deer (19 on day one) on this year's buck pole on Nov. 15 and 16 - the first two days of firearm deer hunting season. **13A**

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Happy Thanksgiving



Christmas Walk gets people in the holiday spirit

Snowmen who rode on a horse drawn wagon with the Grayling Cooperative Preschool made their way around downtown Grayling on Saturday during the Christmas Walk. Above, Anna and Stuart Tomlinson are pictured with the snowmen. For more on the Christmas Walk, see Page 2A.

Photo Dan Sanderson

Help sought for Toys for Tots campaign

Donations being collected at several sites in Grayling

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

As the holiday season begins to draw near, Linda Northrop, the new local Toys for Tots coordinator, is gearing up this year's campaign.

Toys for Tots makes a difference in the lives of the less fortunate in our community, Northrop said.

Last year, approximately 857 Grayling children received toys from Toys for Tots.

This year, Toys for Tots expects the need to be greater and is asking the community for help.

You can support Toys for Tots by donating a new unwrapped toy at one of the collection sites in Grayling.

The location of the various toy collected boxes include: Glen's Markets, Cornell Insurance Agency, the Grayling Mini Mall, Wendy's, The Ice House Quilt Shop, Goodale's Bakery, Riverland Gear and Heads up North. You can also drop off toys at the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center.

Glen's Markets is selling Toys for Tots trains to raise funds for this year's campaign.

The Grayling High School Senior Class will be having a toy drive for Toys for Tots. Community members are encouraged to help coordinate special toy collection functions as another way to get involved.

If you would like to make a donation to Toys for Tots, you can either go online at grayling.mi.toysfortots.org to make a donation or send a check made out to Toys for Tots to Linda Northrop, P.O. Box 527 Grayling, MI 49738.

All donations and toys will help local children.

"Remember, every child deserves a little Christmas," Northrop said.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Thirteen days after Great Britain declared war on Germany for World War II, Crawford County resident Frank Linto joined the Canadian Army to help fend off the Nazis' takeover of Europe. Above, Linto has a wall of his home dedicated to his time in the Royal Air Force.

Crawford County man rides down wounded World War II bombers

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

Thirteen days after Great Britain declared war on Germany for World War II, Crawford County resident Frank Linto joined the Canadian Army to help fend off the Nazis' takeover of Europe.

In a day when crossing country borders and fighting with people of different ethnic backgrounds is in the headlines, Linto's decision back then was simple.

Linto, 92, was born and grew up in downtown Detroit. His

family had a summer home in Canada. Linto opted to join the military there because the pay was better than in the United States, which had not entered the war at that point.

At first, Linto was denied acceptance into the military because of his thin frame. He quickly packed on the pounds, was given a uniform and sent off to training.

Linto, who was first assigned

to a gunnery unit, convinced his superiors to allow him to go to flight school and he became a member of the Royal Air Force. Young men from New Zealand, Finland and Sweden were also brought into the fold of the Royal Air Force to man fighter planes and bombers.

Linto said he would have given his decision second thoughts if he had known the dangers he would incur while flying a Lancaster bomber over

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Venue changed for Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Due to water problems at Camp Grayling, the Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at Ferrell Gas

at the Army Airfield, across from The dinner will be served from noon to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 26.

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Christmas Walk draws crowd into downtown Grayling



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Hundreds of people came to downtown Grayling on Saturday for the 31st annual Christmas Walk. Above left, members of the Grayling High School band played Christmas carols in front of the storefronts as people walked the streets and visited merchants. Above right, congregation members and the youth group from the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church teamed to put on a Live Nativity scene in front of the church. Middle left, a pair of Grayling families took a ride in the Cinderella carriage that was used by Santa and Mrs. Claus for the Word's Shortest Parade. Middle right, Kyle and Tabatha Watkins are pictured next to J.J. Motor Mall's lighted car, which pulled by their father, Brian Watkins for the parade. Lower left, Sharon Priebe, president of the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter Board of Directors, was "Daisy the Dalmatian" during the shelter's Christmas Walk fund-raising event. Lower right, youngsters reach into to pet a reindeer brought to the Christmas Walk by the Reindeer Ranch of Kalamazoo.

Continued from 1A his "Lucky Seven," landing plane when it was still flying motorcycle. Gable said he

"If I would have known I would stayed thinner," I inton-

"I wouldn't bail out

The last time Linto was shot down, he said he was

had never seen a Lancaster up close and asked to tour the plane.

"I said be my guest,"

Linto said. "It had a hot engine, petrol dripping on it and a bomb hung up. He didn't go in."

Elmo met and married his beloved wife, Mary of Scotland, while he was still in the military.

After the war ended, Linto returned to Detroit and took a job working for the Pfeiffer Brewing Co.

"That's like going on vacation everyday," he said. Linto, however, has been a world traveler over the years, traveling to dozens of

Linto has a wall of his home dedicated to his time in the Royal Air Force. He said being a pilot is not as glamorous as Hollywood makes it out to be.

"It's not like in the movies where they're all dressed up," Linto said. "You look like a bum when

You look like a bull when you're flying."



Grayling man's wait is over to become an American citizen

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

A familiar face in Grayling's downtown business district is thankful this year for his family, community and to be able to call himself a citizen of the United States.

Juan Portugal recently received his American citizenship at a ceremony held in the United States District Court in Detroit.

Ironically, Portugal came to Grayling in November 1995, during Christmas Walk weekend, to be an employee for Flowers by Josie.

Previous to that, Portugal had worked and lived in Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington. He was trimming apple trees and picking apples in Washington State; when a friend there informed Flowers by Josie owner Ernie Dawson that Portugal could come to fill a temporary position at the store.

Fifteen days later, Portugal came to collect his check with plans of heading back West, when Dawson convinced him stay in Grayling.

"I said where are you going?" Dawson said. "You're too good of a worker - you can't leave."

Portugal first began his dream to become an American citizen when he filled out an application three years ago. He was also required to take a test on citizenship and United States history and scored 100 percent.

Up until July, Portugal went through some frustrating moments as far as gaining his citizenship. He had a cousin who was issued citizenship in less than a month and heard of others that gained citizenship in a few months.

A backlog in processing citizenship applications after the 9/11 terrorist attacks turned Portugal's wait into a day-after-day, then a year-after-year struggle.

"They were so busy that they couldn't process all the people," Dawson said. "They had to do a background checks on everyone following 9/11."

"When a year went by, I didn't think I was going to get it," Portugal said. "When two years went by, it was even worse. I wasn't even expecting it anymore."

In mid-July, Portugal was informed that his citizenship application had finally been approved and he was only given five days to schedule arrangements to get to Detroit for the ceremony.

Portugal, 35, was born in Sinaloa, Mexico. He has two brothers and two sisters and a mother who still live in Mexico. Portugal returns to Mexico about every other year to visit family. Three years ago, Portugal traveled to Mexico with a group from the Grayling Free Methodist Church to work on an orphanage.

Portugal said the community is growing up in more urbanized now with paved roads and more businesses.

"It's a small-town just like Grayling," he said.

Portugal married wife, Dena, in 2001 and the couple



A familiar face in Grayling's downtown business district is thankful this year for his family, community and to be able to call himself a citizen of the United States. Above, Juan Portugal recently received his American citizenship at a ceremony held in the United States District Court in Detroit.

people have a son who is known as Little Juan.

Portugal said he was often drawn to the front of the television as immigration laws has been in the headlines before he got his American citizenship.

"That was me and I wanted to know more about it," he said.

Portugal completed a course in floral design from Michigan State University, handles maintenance duties at Flowers by Josie stores in Grayling and Gaylord and is manager of the Thanks A Latte Coffee Shop.

"He's just kind of an all

around handyman and he helps up out whenever he's needed," Dawson said.

Portugal loved the snow when he came to Grayling and still appreciates the four seasons the community has to offer.

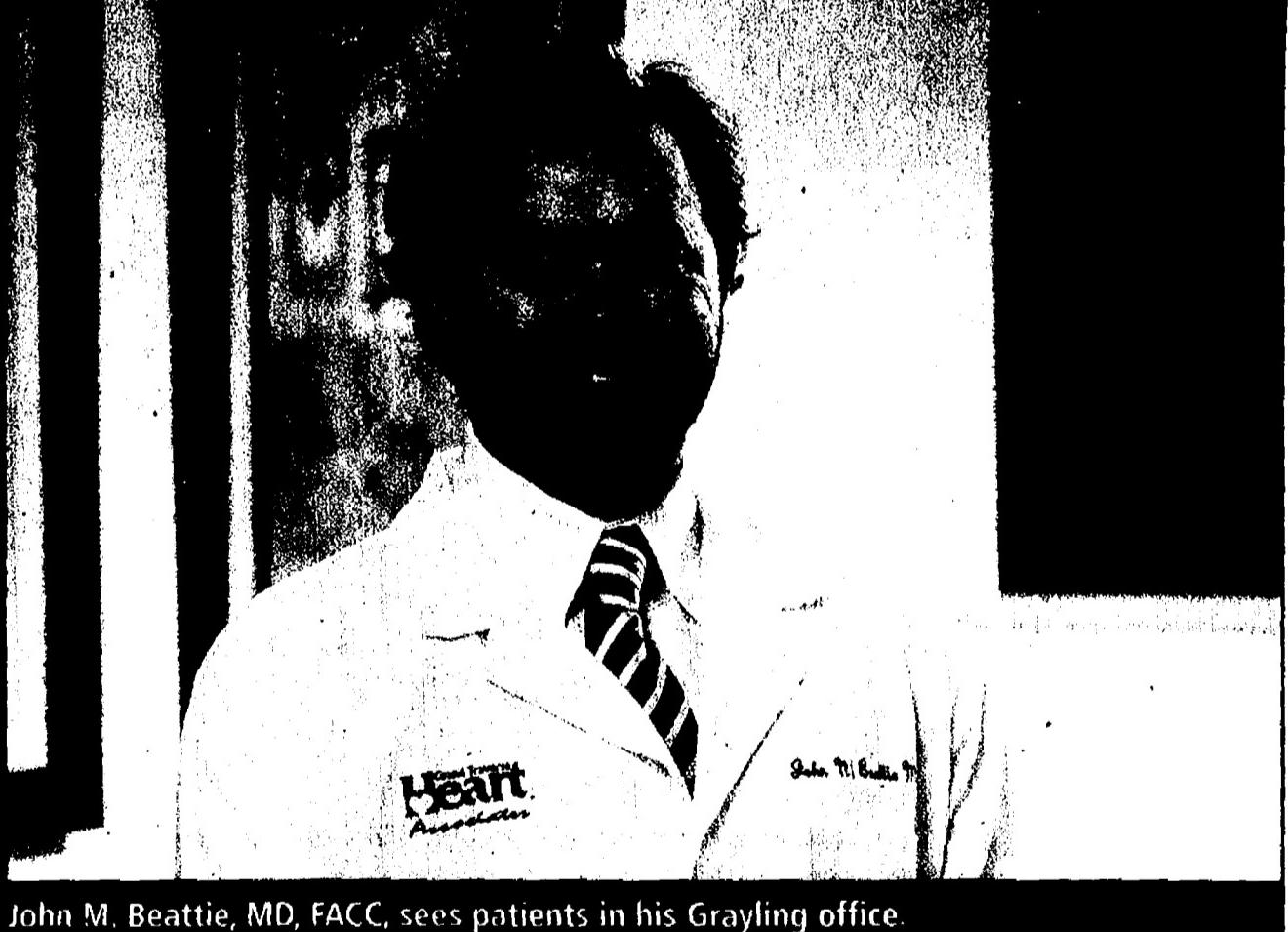
As Portugal celebrates the Thanksgiving holiday with his family, he said he is thankful that he can call himself a citizen of the country he has called home for years and his wait is finally over.

"It's a nice feeling and I was really proud of myself to get that final step," Portugal said.

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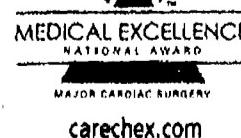
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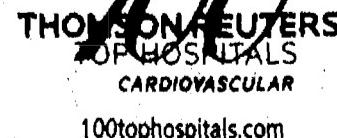
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Issues and Opinions

Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Despite war and discord and terror, let us give thanks



(Note: Many of the following thoughts first appeared in The Almanack several years ago. With a few fresh thoughts and words adjusted to fit Thanksgiving this year, the sentiments are unchanged. Happy Thanksgiving!)

WHEN PILGRIMS newly settled in this new land called America almost 400 years ago decided to offer special thanks to Almighty God for a plentiful harvest, they probably had no idea how the Thanksgiving holiday they unintentionally inaugurated in this country would develop.

In those days, there were no thoughts of football games or Christmas shopping or just dozing on the couch after a huge meal of turkey and dressing and pumpkin pie.

The Pilgrims had in mind a far simpler routine. They were faring well in a strange and harsh land, and – religious folk that they were – they knew a higher being was influencing their progress.

Recognizing this, they

bowed their heads and prayed, in essence, "Thank you, God, for all you've done for us."

The Pilgrims revered God. That's why most of them had traveled across the ocean to an uncertain future in a strange and unfamiliar land.

And, while they were at it, giving thanks on that cold November day, why not celebrate a bit, too? Why not invite over a few friends and neighbors to share their good fortunes and enjoy a big dinner?

And so it was. Foreign settlers and Native Americans sat down together in peace, sharing gifts of harvest and fellowship.

That first Thanksgiving truly is an amazing and refreshing story.

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OF COURSE, latter day debunkers have thrown dust into the familiar American story of the first Thanksgiving. Maybe it came in September and not November. Maybe turkeys weren't on the menu at all. Maybe the Indians and settlers didn't get along all that well for very long, either. And maybe President

Lincoln declared the first Thanksgiving an official holiday as a political move rather than a patriotic one.

That all may be true ... or not. It doesn't make significant difference. The spirit is the essence of the story anyway. And I like to believe it happened in the traditionally related way. All that was then, and this is now anyway.

Why should we, today, in 2009 here in America, be thankful?

Yes, generally we have enough to eat. America's enemies have not denied us that. Supermarkets are full of food, and most of us can have almost anything we want to eat and drink. It's been that way for a long time.

True, we're involved in strange and mystifying wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and a boundary-less battle against terrorism, which seems to take on strange and regular new twists and turns so that where it will eventually lead is unknown.

But most of us, by most standards, are pretty well off. And even taking into account the sorrows and uncertainties created by

those who hate us, most Americans still are happy, more or less.

So why get all soft and mushy about thanking God for this and that? Besides, these days who, or what, is God anyway?

Sparked by the 9-11 terrorist attacks against America and since, much of the nation has turned anew toward religion and prayer.

But we still cannot talk about God in some classrooms, and in some places and under some circumstances, we can't even admit God exists.

Why don't we just skip all that "thankful" stuff and just enjoy the holiday, and settle down to a big dinner, and eat too much, and then plop in front of the tube and watch a football game, and everybody go shopping the next day? Isn't that what Thanksgiving in America has become?

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IF WE REALLY get serious about it, each of us can find many things for which to be thankful.

How about progress itself? Bear in mind that our forefathers did without sugar until the 13th century

... without coal fires until the 14th century ... without buttered bread until the 16th ... without tea or soap until the 17th century ... without matches or electricity until the 19th ... without autos, canned or frozen food until the 20th.

Each of us can add favorite one-time luxuries which are now necessities – running water, indoor plumbing, central heat, television, saran wrap, microwave ovens, computers, telephones, ice cream cones, and on and on.

The point: Even if we may not feel thankful for the more important but intangible blessings such as love and health and family, which often are taken for granted, we enjoy many material gifts which none of us earned but from which all of us can benefit, and for which all of us should be thankful.

And in this special year, we also should be thankful for the America that has developed from that first Thanksgiving almost 400 years ago, and for our continued resolve to stand firm for what we believe is right. America may not be perfect

yet, but we're still working on it. America continues as a work in progress.

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FOR MYSELF, I appreciate and I'm thankful for all those material things we take for granted but don't deserve by our own merit, such as soap and electricity and frozen foods.

But I am even more thankful for other things which I did not earn on my own either, but which I treasure and strive to deserve – such things as life itself, and faith, and health, and love, and ability, and opportunity, and family, and children, and grandchildren.

I know, too, from where these blessings flow, and where my thanks should be directed, especially on Thanksgiving Day, but also on every other day as well.

The Almanack wishes you a happy, and blessed, and thoughtful, Thanksgiving!

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

Viewpoint

by Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

Safe Thanksgiving travel

An estimated 1.5 million Michiganders will travel during the 102-hour Thanksgiving Holiday weekend and Sheriff Wakefield would like all of them to arrive at their destinations safely.

"Most often, you'll see deer near dawn or dusk," said Sheriff Wakefield. Motorists are encouraged to look beyond the beam of their headlights for eyes of deer that may be near the path of your vehicle. The best way to avoid a deer/car collision is to slow your car down, flash your headlights and/or blow your horn to try and scare the animal. Deer travel together, if you see one, chances are others are coming so please proceed with caution.

The holiday coincides with the firearm deer season, which means hunters will add to the numbers on the road during the high travel holiday. A large deer herd, combined with large numbers of cars on the

road, creates a high probability for collisions. In 2006, 60,875 deer-vehicle crashes were reported. These crashes caused 1,477 injuries and 12 deaths.

The combination of long distance and a relatively short time period can turn deadly. Twenty-one people were killed in car crashes during the 2006 Thanksgiving holiday. In order to avoid becoming a statistic, Sheriff Wakefield advises you get plenty of rest before driving, avoid alcohol and wear your seatbelts.

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Remember to heed deer crossing signs. If you do hit a deer make sure you report it to your local police or sheriff's office.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page.

Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

Avalanche Deadlines

Community Briefs items submitted to the Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

Newspaper items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined

paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

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The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Letters to the Editor

There is a gross inequity when it comes to funding our public school systems

To the editor:

I am writing this editorial to inform the public about a gross inequity when it comes to funding our public school systems. It has always been my understanding that schools received some where around \$7,300 to \$7,600 dollars per student in funding. I have seen and read about all the funding problems districts are having because of cuts in the per student funding.

Doing some research on this subject, I found something that made me angry. I feel most of the people in Michigan like me had no idea that the Birmingham City School District which has 8,043 students receives \$12,366 per student, the Southfield School District with 8,487 students receives \$11,448 per student and Farmington

Public Schools with 12,068 students gets \$10,556 per student. Compare this to the Traverse City School District with 9,974 students, Gaylord Schools with 3,161 students and Crawford AuSable School District with 1,761 students all just receive \$7,316 per student.

There are 41 additional school districts that receive \$8,500 or more per student. This is unacceptable to me! What make the students in these other districts worth more? When our elected officials make cuts, they cut every district the same, so you can see the gross inequity.

This has to stop. We must fund every district the same with each receiving the same amount per student.

I, like every northern

best interest of your community. Your community has elected you to the office of city council to, set policies, approve the budget, hire the city manager, make appointments to city committees, hire the auditor, set rates for city taxes and fees and assist in the city manager in determining the city's annual expenditures.

All of the decisions you make are intended to represent the individuals living in the city. It is not intended to be a position to resolve personal vendettas.

As the old saying goes "If it looks like a duck, walks like a duck, quacks like a duck, it is probably a duck." I hope this is not the case and that you prove me wrong.

MaryAnn Ferrigan

Grayling

City council decisions should be done with the best interest of our community

To the editor:

Congratulations to our three new city council representatives.

I have lived in Grayling on and off for the past 38 years. During this time have volunteered on many boards in our community so I am fully aware of the time and dedication it takes to help make our community a better place to live, work and play.

I hope your intentions of running and being elected to sit on the council are indeed being done with the

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Briefs

Change in location for dinner

Due to water problems at Camp Grayling, the Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at the Army Airfield, across from Ferrell Gas.

Wrestling team to sell wreaths

The Grayling wrestling team is selling balsam and cedar Christmas wreaths for \$20 each. This is their one and only fund-raiser during their season. To order, call 989-710-0278.

Church to hold organ recital

St. Francis Episcopal Church, 6441 West M-72, will host an advent organ recital on Sunday, Nov. 29, at 4 p.m. The program will feature organists from four northern Michigan counties. The program is sponsored by the Cherry Capitol American Guild of Organists.

COA to sell cookie mixes

The Grayling Senior Center has cookie mixes in a jar for sale for \$5. All proceeds go to the COA to support the seniors of Crawford County. The jars are available at local businesses and at the senior center. For more information, contact Carrie at 348-7123.

Library to have mitten tree

Friends of the Crawford County Library are accepting donations of children's mittens, hats, gloves and scarves to be placed on the library mitten tree. Donated items can be store bought or homemade. Donations will be collected until Dec. 12.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Hartwick Pines Logging Museum's Winter Lecture Series to begin on Dec. 6

The annual winter lecture series sponsored by the Hartwick Pines Logging Museum will begin on Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m. with the program "Who was Edward Hartwick?"

Hartwick Pines State Park was named for the Grayling native, but few really know who Edward Hartwick was and why his wife, Karen Michelson Hartwick, chose to purchase and donate the land to the state in the memory of her husband.

The park's historian, Rob Burg will present this 60 minute program and introduce the life of Edward Hartwick to those in attendance.

This will be the first of four programs in the annual Winter Lecture Series. On Jan. 17, the program will be, "75 Years of Hartwick Pines State Park; Feb. 14,

The Higgins Lake Nursery and the Reforestation of Michigan; and the final program of the winter series will be presented on March 7 called "The legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps in the Grayling Area."

All of these presentations are held in the auditorium at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center at Hartwick Pines State Park and begin at 2 p.m.

Free refreshments are served following the programs. Program topics are subject to change.

The Winter Lecture Series is free however a state park motor vehicle permit is required for park entry. For more information on this event, please call Rob Burg at (989) 348-2537 or by email at burgr@michigan.gov, or on the internet at www.michigan.gov/loggingmuseum.

NCMCF grant money available

The North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF) Youth Advisory Councils (YAC) are accepting grant applications for the 2010 grant cycle.

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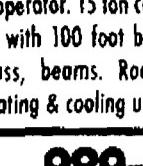
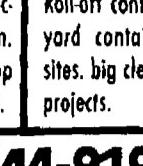
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2133, Part 21, Subpart 10 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, that the DNR proposes to sell the following State-owned land or rights in land:

Crawford County, Frederic Township, T27N, R04W, Section 29: That part of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 lying northwest of the centerline of Manistee River Road. 8.68 acres.

The proposed sale of State-owned land is being placed on the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Agenda for public comment prior to being approved by the DNR Director. The next meeting of the NRC is scheduled at the following date, time and location:

December 3, 2009
4:30 p.m.
Lansing Community College, West Campus
5708 Cornerstone Drive
Lansing, Michigan

Public appearances before the NRC will begin at 4:30 P.M. and may be scheduled by calling Ms. Teresa Gloden, NRC Secretary, at 517-373-2352.

PLEASE NOTE: This notice is not a solicitation for bids. Further information regarding this case may be obtained by contacting the Real Estate Services Section, OLAF, DNR, P.O. Box 30448, Lansing, MI 48909-7948 or via telephone at 517-373-1240.

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For more information, call Christine Hitch at 877-354-6881. Applications are also available at www.ncmcf.org and may be submitted online or mailed to the NCMCF office at P.O. Box 495, Alpena, MI 49707, and must be postmarked by the deadline date.

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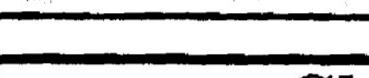
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Saturday Church Service 9:30 am

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Pastor: Larry Hankins
8133 Bald Hill Rd. - Lovells
(989) 348-2701

Sunday School (youth & adult) 9:30 am

Morning Worship 11 am

Wed Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

Grayling Free Methodist
Pastor: Rick Secord
6652 M-72 West - (989) 348-9003

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Sunday School 10 am

Morning Service 11 am

Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

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3474 West Park Road, Lazearne

Sunday Worship 11 am

Adult & Youth Sunday School 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
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heritagebaptist@grayling.org
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
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Wednesday 7 pm

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1030 Glenn Rd. - (989) 348-5751

Church School 9:45 am

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Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

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Obituaries**Carolyn S. Letts**

Carolyn Sue Letts, 60, of Grayling passed away on Thursday November 19, 2009.

A memorial service was held at Grayling Free Methodist Church on Tuesday, November 24, 2009, at 11 a.m. with Pastor Rick Secord officiating.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

The family of Luke Helsel would like to say thank you to everyone who made dishes to pass, sent flowers and cards. Your presence and involvement in our time of need will never be forgotten and was greatly appreciated.

A special thank you to Billie, Jo, Judy, Terri, Deb Calkins and Pastor Barnett.

A very special thank you to the American Red Cross and Deb Weaver for getting Jesse home and to Dick and Kathy Baker as well.

Card of Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help and prayers when my wife Rose died on Oct. 5, 2009.

I would especially like to thank Pam Williams for her devotion and help to Rose in the past two years, my niece, Cheryl Hollingsworth for all her love and caring and to Dr. Lisa Harrington for her care and help, it will never be forgotten. Dr. Kevin Clayton for working so closely with Rose, Mercy Hospice for all their care and to all our friends who were there when I needed help.

I would also like to thank Father Bearess and Ellen Thompson for a beautiful funeral service, as well as Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home for their help. And to all the kind family, friends, former colleagues of ours from school, customers and acquaintances who sent me cards, prayers and courage ... thank you.

Thanks also to the wonderful ladies of St. Mary's Church for a wonderful luncheon. Your kindness will never be forgotten. I'd like to thank Mercy Hospital and especially Ted Williams in ER, for your efforts on Rose's behalf.

Thank you,
Carl Hatfield

Honors**Simmons College**

Simmons College alumnae gathered on campus Oct. 23-24 for Leadership Weekend, an annual celebration that acknowledges alumnae leaders of the college for their dedication and achievements. Among the six alumnae to receive an award this year was Reverend Elizabeth Chace of Frederic.

Chace is the class of 1969 received the Mary Logan Canavan '38 Planned Giving Award for her work in furthering the planned giving program at Simmons College. Chace's gift in honor of her 40th reunion won her class the Kay Heggie Planned Giving Award, given at Simmons' class reunion to recognize the graduating class with the highest dollar total in planned gifts made during its reunion year.

Chace is the rector at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Grayling.

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Senior Citizen News

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This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Nov. 27 - Closed.

Monday, Nov. 30 -

Lunch - pork chop, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus and

Grayling's Dollar Castle store under new ownership

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

The Dollar Castle Store in Grayling has changed ownership but has remained in the family.

Darsci Simpson assumed ownership of the Dollar Castle Store, located at 604 Norway Street near the intersection of M-72 and I-75 Business Loop, last month.

Simpson's fiancée, Harry Smith, is the cousin of previous Dollar Castle owner Lisa McDaniel and grandson of Gene McDaniel.

Gene and Betty McDaniel, affectionately known as grandpa and grandma to customers, owned and operated the Grayling Subway as well as two Subway locations in Gaylord since 1991. The Subway stores were sold to the Forward Corporation, which is based in Standish, in November 2006.

Dollar Castle is based in Southfield, and has most of its locations located in southeast Michigan. Lisa McDaniel opened the local Dollar Castle Store, with the help of her grandparents, in May 2007. The building was used as the Knights of the Columbus Hall before undergoing renovations for the retail store.

The ongoing sluggish economy opened the door for Simpson to take over ownership and management of the business in October.

"It's awesome," Simpson said. "I am so thankful to be able to have my own business. This is something I've always wanted since I was in college. My dream was to become a business owner."

Simpson restocked the shelves and added more variety of merchandise to the Dollar Castle store. In addition, Simpson has separated the value-added products, which sell for more than a dollar, to a separate location near the entrance of the store and cashier's counter.

Simpson has changed the hours of the store to be open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Previously, the Dollar Castle Store was not open for business on Sunday. Simpson said customers are getting accustomed to the new hours.

"During the week, it's really picked up since I've got new stock in here," she said.

Finally, Simpson is offering a cup of coffee to customers as they come into the



Photo by Dan Sanderson

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store to shop.

"It's kind of for customer appreciation and to offer a welcoming atmosphere," Simpson said.

Simpson and Briana Taylor, a Dollar Castle regular employee, are the only employees at the store. Simpson, however, said her family and fiancée help out at the store when needed.

GMS names students of the month



The students selected as Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for October are: (from left to right, back row) Edwin Beek, Ashely Branch, Jacob Brown, Kassie Bryan, Carson Burmeister, James Castillo, Michael Cook, Sam Cousins; (middle row) Carlee Dedafore, Hope Ervin, Shelby Golnick, Emily Jackson, Vanessa Kinsel, Chelsea Krieg, Casey Leal, Michael MacFalda, Torrey Messerschmidt, Madison Nielson; (front row) Gage O'Toole, Hailey Petty, Heather Petty, Shyann Rowe, Fred Shippy, Jensen Stephan, Daniella Tarrell, Jacob Thomas, Tatiana Valentin, Casie Wakeley; (not pictured) Turisa Baker, Sydney Denno, Tyler Helsel, Damion McCauley.



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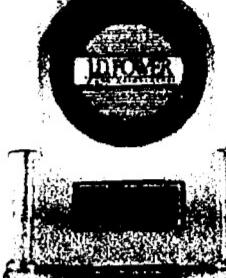
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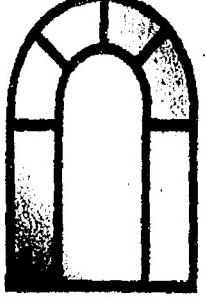


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County officials searching for funds for school liaison officer

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

Crawford County officials last week decided to review their budgets with a fine toothed comb to determine if they can keep a school liaison officer in the halls of schools for the Crawford AuSable School District.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, at its regular monthly meeting last week, directed its audit committee to find \$11,000 to fund the school liaison officer's position until the end of the school year.

Last month, over a two week span, state lawmakers cut the Crawford AuSable School District's budget to the tune of \$525,000, School Superintendent Joe Powers said.

Powers said that he immediately contacted the Crawford County Sheriff's Office officials to inform them that they could only fund its share of the school liaison officer's position through Oct. 31. After that, Powers said the school officials were not confident they could help fund the position, but were open to discussing other options and possibilities. Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy Chase Barnett currently serves as the school liaison officer.

With the volatile condition of the State of Michigan's budget, which schools depend on for their funding, Powers said the school district is expecting a \$1.5 to \$2 million cut to its budget for the 2010-2011 school year.

"We're like any other school in the entire state and we're also aware the county is in some very difficult situations as far as finances," Powers said.

Crawford County

Currently, the county is analyzing and planning in order to identify gaps in programs where the community is coming up short in preventing juvenile delinquency and other juvenile issues.

The gap in funding caused by the state cuts could be used to convince state officials to allow the funds to be earmarked for the school liaison officer's position, County Administrator Paul Compo said. The funds would not be able to be tapped until August, Compo added.

Haskel said the county has the potential to receive up to \$200,000 in federal funds over a three-year period for juvenile delinquency prevention programs. The application to obtain the funds will be submitted in the spring.

Powers said he was pleased that officials are working to preserve a successful and extremely posi-

tive school liaison officer's position in the schools.

"I do have complete confidence in the sheriff's department and I do have complete confidence that we're all here working the same purpose - for the betterment of our county and the betterment of our students as well," Powers said.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said he is happy that county and school officials are listening and thinking about preserving the position and believes he and Kraycs have a solution to budget and personnel issues.

"It makes things extremely hard on me, but I'm willing to sacrifice things for this program," Wakefield said.

Wakefield, however, said he is disappointed in the band-aid efforts that state and federal lawmakers have forced local officials into to fund existing services.. Wakefield said that is cautiously hopeful in getting the Title Five funds or a federal Cops in Schools grant to fund the school liaison officer's position for the next school year, and even more apprehensive to commit matching funds for a grant at this point.

"I have no idea what they have in store for us next year as far my budget," Wakefield said.

Barnett was scheduled to go back on the Crawford County Sheriff's Road Patrol on Nov. 21 if funds could not be found to save his job in the schools. He would have replaced Deputy Paul Smith, whose retirement became effective on Nov. 24.

Now, the sheriff's officials plans to hire a full-time, temporary deputy that would work on the road patrol with the understanding that Barnett may take the job if funds can not be accessed for the school liaison officer's job for the next year.

"That would be the choice that officer would have to make in deciding whether to take that position of not," Kraycs said.



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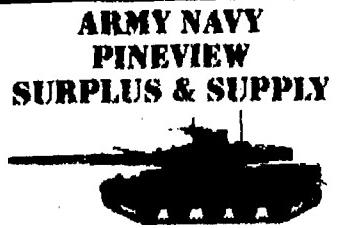
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Officials sign on to plan for countywide municipal recycling

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transporting recyclables, the participating municipalities will reimburse Grayling Township for its loss through a funding formula determined by a committee.

If the sale of recyclables surpasses the cost of transportation, the balance will be applied to cover utility costs at the recycling center.

Crawford County will continue to transport Styrofoam products to Mt. Pleasant at the county's cost. In addition, the county will transport recycling trailers to and from the outlying township and the City of Grayling.

The participating municipalities will agree to fund two part-time employees at a cost of \$16,000 for up to 20 hours per week. If the employees work more than 20 hours a week during the year for the recycling operation, the municipalities will be billed at the end of the year to cover the extra cost.

A recycling committee will be established, which will be charged with finding an equitable funding to fund county recycling, developing a budget, planning and overseeing recycling.

The committee will include seven members, two from Grayling Township, two from Crawford County and three from remaining municipalities.

"If nothing else, the committee needs to get established, we need to move forward and we need to start

doing our research," Compo said.

Crawford County Environmental Monitor Bruce Patrick was recommended to serve as chairman of the committee. Patrick, however, is retiring from his position with county effective Dec. 19. Patrick previously worked for the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality before taking the position with the county. He has been the environmental monitor for about seven years.

Grayling recycling center manager, John Wotring, will continue to be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the township compactor and recycling center, but will not be voting member of the committee.

Grayling Township will provide monthly reports to the committee including the quantity and weight of recyclables shipped, amount received for each shipment and a budget review for recycling operations.

By June 1, 2010, the recycling committee will design and recommend the implementation of a recycling promotional campaign to increase the amount of households and businesses which recycle and to increase the number of products they recycle.

Grayling Township will fund a property survey for property where the current trash compactor and recycling center is located with the expectation of eventually

splitting property between the compactor and the county recycling property.

Earlier this year, Wright said that township officials projected they will continue to lose \$40,000 to \$50,000 per year at the recycling center if a new funding solution was not brought to the table.

"It's gradual turnover of the recycling operation from Grayling Township running a great majority of the operation to everybody paying an equal share," Wright said. "It's good solution to a long term recycling program."

Crawford County receives \$75,000 to \$150,000 a year to fund the environmental monitor and pay for recycling. The funds came from settlement of lawsuits filed over the sales of the Waters landfill. Crawford and Otsego Counties owned the Waters landfill until 1991, when they sold it to Detroit-based City Environmental Services (CES).

CES sued the two counties for breach of contract when officials refused to make it legal for the landfill to expand its customer base to 13 additional counties.

Crawford County countered and criminal charges were filed against the company when it accepted waste from Chippewa County, one of the 13 counties in question.

Both sides dropped their lawsuit and the criminal charge was also dismissed in the 1996 settlement.

The landfill has changed

hands a couple of times since the legal action and is now owned by Waste Management.

Patrick said was pleased to have the agreement in place so that everybody knows what they are doing and Grayling Township is no longer subsidizing county-wide recycling.

"It's formalized so people know what their responsibilities are going to be," Patrick said. "It's nice that Grayling Township has funded recycling for so long, especially since with the recession, the money that gets for the goods they receive has dropped to very little if anything at all."

Earlier this year, the Grayling Township changed to a new recycling broker, Metro Recycling Solutions in Detroit. The township is now storing its recycled materials at the recycling center until it can fill a semi-trailer. The recycling broker is then charged with finding a manufacturer to purchase the material at a profit for the township, eliminating the middleman from the process.

Compo said the recycling committee would study opening up the recycling program on a regional level to include other counties, taking more recycled products and dealing with various recycling brokers for products.

"We really aren't to that point yet until we do some research," Compo said.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 84 complaints the week of Nov. 16-Nov. 22.

One natural death, one missing person, 17 general non-criminal complaints, four delinquent minors, two false alarm activations, five assault/intimidation/stalkings, one aggravated assault-non-family-other weapon, seven larcenies,

two stolen motor vehicles, one fraudulent activity, eight public peace/disorderlies, one operating while intoxicated, one health and safety, one conservation, 11 traffic accidents, one accident-fire, one hazardous condition, one inspection/investigation-motor vehicle, one lost and found property, two family troubles-domestic and 13 suspicious situations.

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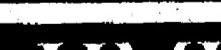


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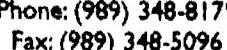
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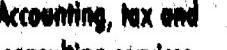
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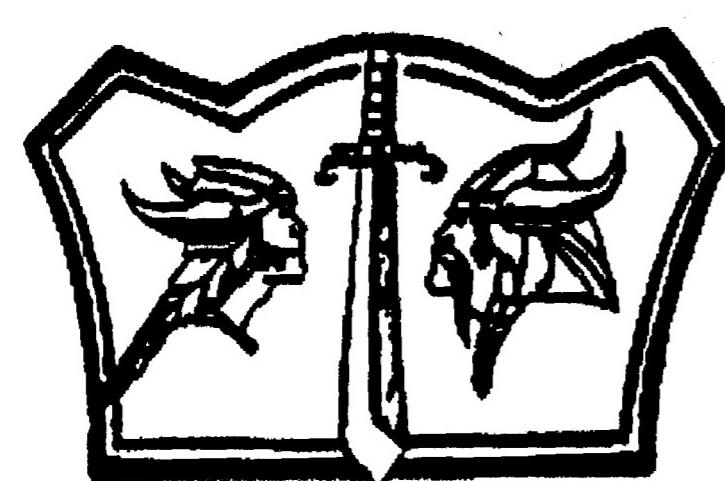
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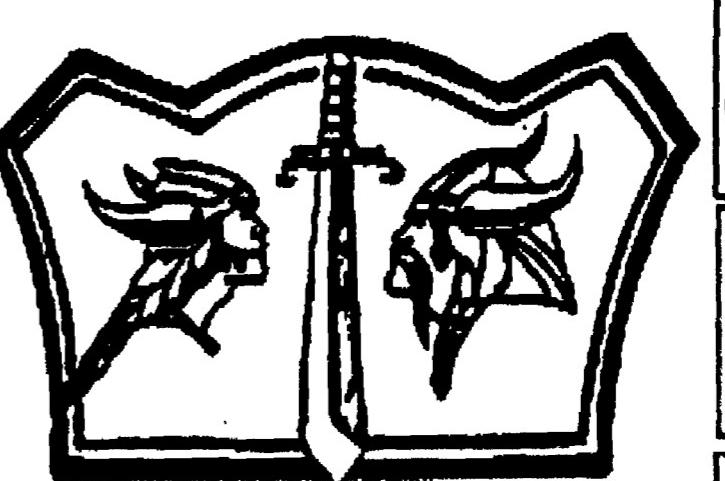
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Freshman Boys Basketball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Time	Bus	Time
Monday	December 7, 2009	Roscommon @ High School	A	4:30	3:45	
Friday	December 11, 2009	East Jordan @ High School	A	4:30	2:30	
Monday	January 4, 2010	Houghton Lake @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Friday	January 8, 2010	Harbor Springs @ High School	A	4:30	2:30	
Friday	January 15, 2010	Elk Rapids @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Tuesday	January 19, 2010	Kalkaska @ High School	A	4:30	3:30	
Tuesday	January 22, 2010	Traverse City St. Francis	A	4:30	2:45	
Tuesday	January 26, 2010	Boyne City @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Tuesday	January 29, 2010	Charlevoix @ High School	A	6:00	3:30	
Tuesday	February 2, 2010	Roscommon @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Friday	February 5, 2010	East Jordan @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Tuesday	February 9, 2010	Harbor Springs @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Tuesday	February 12, 2010	Elk Rapids @ High School	A	4:30	2:30	
Tuesday	February 16, 2010	Kalkaska @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Friday	February 19, 2010	Traverse City St. Francis @ MS	H	6:00		
Tuesday	February 23, 2010	Boyne City @ High School	A	4:30	2:45	
Friday	February 26, 2010	Charlevoix @ Middle School	H	6:00		
Friday	March 5, 2010	Houghton Lake @ Middle School	H	6:00		

Middle School Girls Basketball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	February 15, 2010	Traverse City St. Elizabeth	H	5:00	
Wednesday	February 17, 2010	Elk Rapids	A	4:30	2:45
Monday	February 22, 2010	East Jordan	H	5:00	
Thursday	February 25, 2010	Boyne City	A	4:30	2:45
Monday	March 1, 2010	Kalkaska	H	5:00	
Wednesday	March 3, 2010	Harbor Springs	H	5:00	
Monday	March 8, 2010	Charlevix	H	5:00	
Wednesday	March 10, 2010	Elk Rapids	H	5:00	
Monday	March 15, 2010	Traverse City St. Elizabeth	A	4:30	2:45
Wednesday	March 17, 2010	Kalkaska	A	5:00	3:45

Middle School Boys Basketball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	November 9, 2009	Traverse City St. Francis	H	6:00	
Wednesday	November 11, 2009	Elk Rapids	A	6:00	4:15
Monday	November 16, 2009	East Jordan	H	6:00	
Wednesday	November 18, 2009	Boyne City	A	6:00	4:15
Monday	November 23, 2009	Kalkaska	H	6:00	
Tuesday	November 24, 2009	West Branch - 8*	A	5:00	3:30
Tuesday	November 24, 2009	West Branch - 7*	H	5:00	3:30
Monday	November 30, 2009	Harbor Springs	A	6:00	
Wednesday	December 2, 2009	Charlevix	H	5:00	
Thursday	December 3, 2009	West Branch - 8*	A	5:00	3:30
Thursday	December 3, 2009	West Branch - 7*	H	5:00	3:30
Monday	December 7, 2009	Elk Rapids	A	6:00	
Wednesday	December 9, 2009	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	A	6:00	4:15
Monday	December 14, 2009	Kalkaska	A	5:00	3:15

8TH GRADE GREEN TEAM (COACH JUNITALA)

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	November 11, 2009	Elk Rapids	A	6:00	4:15
Monday	November 16, 2009	East Jordan	H	6:00	
Tuesday	November 24, 2009	West Branch	A	6:00	3:30
Wednesday	November 30, 2009	Harbor Springs	A	6:00	3:30
Thursday	December 2, 2009	Charlevix	H	5:00	
Thursday	December 3, 2009	West Branch - 8*	A	5:00	3:30
Monday	December 7, 2009	Elk Rapids	H	5:00	
Wednesday	December 9, 2009	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	A	6:00	4:15

7TH GRADE GREEN TEAM (COACH MCNAMAN)

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	November 9, 2009	Traverse City St. Francis	H	6:00	
Wednesday	November 18, 2009	Boyne City	A	6:00	4:15
Monday	November 23, 2009	Kalkaska	H	6:00	
Tuesday	November 24, 2009	West Branch	A	6:00	3:30
Thursday	December 3, 2009	West Branch	H	5:00	
Monday	December 7, 2009	Elk Rapids	A	6:00	
Wednesday	December 14, 2009	Kalkaska	A	5:00	3:15

JV Girls Basketball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	December 2, 2009	Roscommon	H	6:00	
Friday	December 4, 2009	Buckley	H	6:00	
Tuesday	December 8, 2009	Lake City	H	6:00	
Thursday	December 17, 2009	East Jordan	H	6:00	
Monday	December 21, 2009	Harrison	A	6:00	4:00
Monday	January 4, 2010	Houghton Lake	H	6:00	
Thursday	January 7, 2010	Harbor Springs	A	6:00	3:45
Monday	January 14, 2010	Elk Rapids	H	6:00	
Monday	January 18, 2010	Kalkaska	H	6:00	
Monday	January 21, 2010	Traverse City St. Francis	A	6:00	3:45
Thursday	January 25, 2010	Boyne City	H	6:00	
Monday	February 1, 2010	Charlevix	A	6:00	3:30
Monday	February 8, 2010	East Jordan	H	6:00	
Thursday	February 11, 2010	Elk Rapids	A	6:00	3:15
Monday	February 15, 2010	Kalkaska	H	6:00	
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Teresa Schreiber passes the ball during a practice drill last Monday.



Kristen Todoroff dribbles two basketballs at the same time during Monday's practice.

Young basketball team to rely on 'speed,' 'defense'

Girls, boys to play league games on same nights

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

This year's Grayling High School varsity girls basketball squad - a team that has only 10 players, most of them juniors - will try to rely on its "speed," "defense," and "quickness" to win games this year.

"One of the main things we're working toward is improving and focusing on our strengths, using our speed and our quickness," said Kelly Sheehan, who's in her third season as coach of the Vikings.

The program will have a young varsity team this year - seven of the squad's 10 players are 11th graders. The team has two seniors and one freshman. The squad will consist of:

Ashley Feldhauser (senior co-captain), Mackenzie Harwood (senior), Abbey Thomas (junior co-captain), Kirstie Wakeley (junior), Shalee Miller (junior), Ann Hamlin (junior), Katlyn Nye (junior), Kristen Todoroff (junior), Teresa Schreiber (junior), and Jo Hamlin (freshman). Schreiber and Thomas played full-time on last year's varsity team as sophomores.

"The younger players are bringing a lot of energy and enthusiasm to our program, a lot of speed, so that's exciting," Coach Sheehan said.

The team started its official practices for the 2009-2010 season on Monday, Nov. 9.

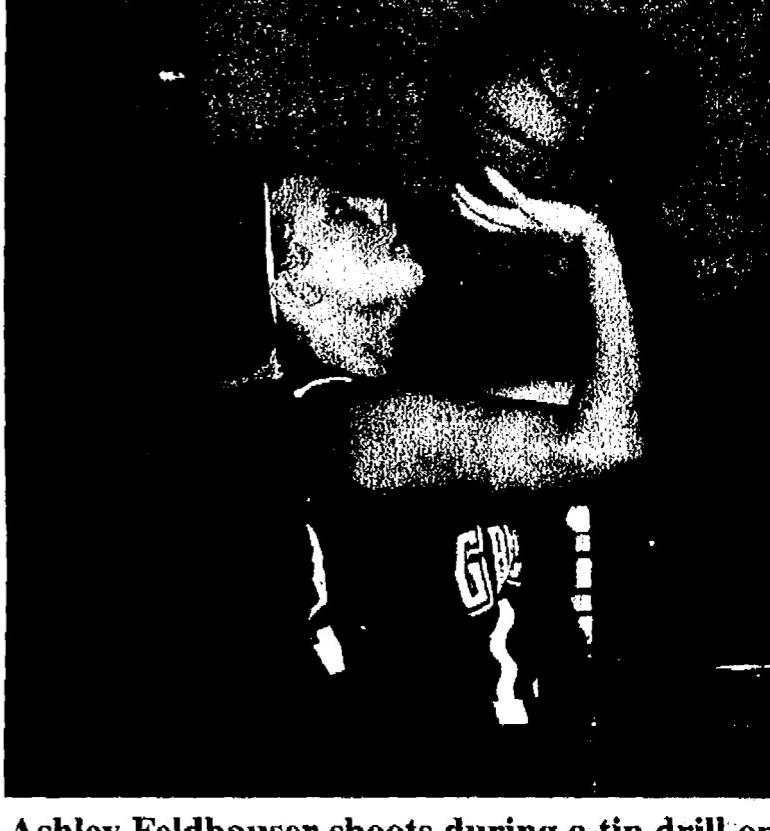
"We're trying to work on our transition offense, getting down the court quickly, working with our speed," Coach Sheehan said.

"One of the most exciting things about our team is our hustle, our feistiness. Defense should be one of our strong points as well," Coach Sheehan said.

The Vikings will play in their season opener next week.

This year's schedule will be different than last year's. For league games (both varsity and junior varsity), the boys and girls basketball teams will play on the same nights.

Grayling's athletic league - the Lake Michigan Conference - opted to change the schedule this year in an effort to boost gate revenues and provide a more stable schedule for fans, Athletic Director Tim



Ashley Feldhauser shoots during a tip drill on Monday night.

Sanchez said.

"It gives fans a regular schedule again, and it gives us the varsity Friday nights back. We were just losing too much (money) doing it the other way," Sanchez said.

The change will put varsity games back onto Friday nights - last year, the two programs alternated between Tuesday-Thursday and Wednesday-Friday games - and it will link the two varsity programs and the two JV programs.

"I think for the fans it's going to be great," Coach Sheehan said of the scheduling change. "I think it'll be good for the people coming to watch, for sure."

The girls will play first during all the league doubleheaders and the boys will play second.

"I will miss, for sure, the warm-up of the JV, the lead up to the varsity," Coach

Sheehan said.

Due to low player numbers, the girls basketball program will not have a freshman team again this year. Coach Sheehan said losing the freshman team last year may have hurt this year's numbers.

"When they cut the freshman program we lost a lot of girls," she said.

The varsity and JV girls basketball teams will open their 2009-2010 seasons with three nonconference home doubleheaders. The girls will host Roscommon on Wednesday, Dec. 2, Buckley on Friday, Dec. 4, and Lake City on Tuesday, Dec. 8. The JV teams will play at 6 p.m., and the varsity games will follow.

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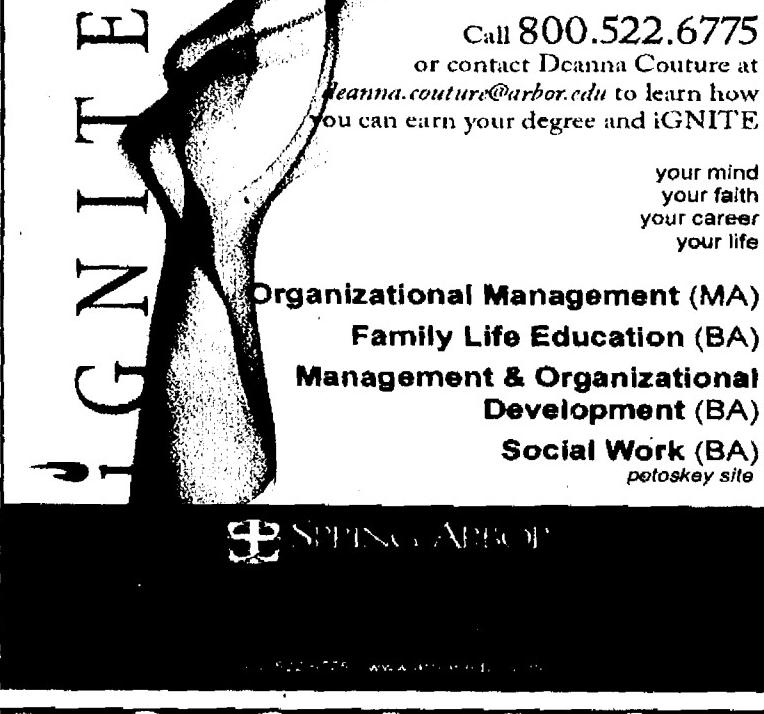
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Mitigation Department, P.O. Box 5041, Troy, MI 48007-5041, (248) 502-1331. You may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") website or by calling MSHDA. The website address and telephone number of MSHDA is: (www.mshda.info/counseling_sear), telephone (517) 373-8370, TTY# 1-800-382-4568. If you request a meeting with the servicer's designate within 14 days after the Notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not start until 90 days after the date the Notice was mailed to you. If you and the servicer's Designate reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if you abide by the terms of the agreement. You have the right to contact an attorney. You may contact attorney of your choice. If

you do not have an attorney, the telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service is 1-800-968-0738. Dated: November 26, 2009 Orlans Associates P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 File Number: 200.5630 ASAP# 3351514 11/26/2009

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File No. 09-7653-DE Estate of EVELYN MURIEL-FRENCH, aka Evelyn M. Ellis-

French, aka Evelyn M. Ellis, Deceased. Date of birth: 4/27/29.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Evelyn M. Ellis-French, who lived at 9921/9955 S. Oak Road, Roscommon, Michigan, died September 8, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Marian G. Hilliker, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

November 10, 2009

Attorney Ronald C. Meiring P24261 P.O. Box 676 Prudenville, MI 48651 989-366-7361

Personal representative Marian G. Hilliker 9955 S. Oak Road Roscommon, MI 48653 989-275-4145

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File No. 09-7616-NC
In the matter of JAMIE MICHELLE GUGIN

TAKE NOTICE:
A Hearing will be held on a Petition for Name Change

Date: Thursday, December 10, 2009
Time: 11:45 a.m.

Place: Crawford County Probate Court

Petitioner: Jamie Michelle Gugin

Proposed Name: Jamie Michelle Sisco

Date: 10/6/09
Jamie Michelle Gugin
7839 Silsby Rd.

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GMS Boys Basketball

8th grade "white" – Grayling Middle School's 8th grade "white" boys basketball squad overcame an early double-digit deficit and defeated the visiting East Jordan Red Devils 53-31 on Monday, Nov. 16.

Grayling trailed 16-5 after one quarter. The Vikings outscored East Jordan 19-7 in the second period to lead by one, 24-23, at halftime. Grayling scored 29 points in the second half to East Jordan's eight. The Vikings, who outscored their opponent 48-15 in the last three quarters, won by 22 points.

"Obviously, in the first quarter we had way too many turnovers, which put us down by 11 or 12," Coach Rocky Tobin said. "In the second and third quarter we definitely did much better. We went to a half-court trap, which got us a lot of turnovers and

easy baskets."

Justice Juntila scored 14 points for Grayling and Tyler McLanahan had 10 points. Matt Burrell (8), Peyton Zigila (7), Jake Swander (4), Nick Swiercz (4), Brandon Latusek (3), Michael Branch (2), and Geoff Wilson (1) also scored points for the Vikings.

The Vikings play at Harbor Springs on Monday, Nov. 30.

7th grade "white" – The GMS 7th grade "white" boys basketball team built a steady lead vs. East Jordan last Monday and won 40-14 in a contest played at Grayling Middle School.

The Vikings led 14-3 after one quarter. At halftime, Grayling had a 20-point advantage (26-6). The Vikings outscored East Jordan 14-8 in the second half and won by 26 points.

"(They) played a complete game where everyone

on the team scored," Coach Doug Pummell said. "The team played good defense, ran the floor really well,

and had a good passing game. It was our first game with all 10 players, so that was great to have everyone contributing."

Scoring for Grayling were Jake Hinkle (11), Scout Tobin (9), Carson Burmeister (4), Ryan Schultz (4), Dallas Johnson (2), Gunner Metzer (2), Emmett Helsel (2), Darin Nicholas (2), Nick Harris (2), and Danny Schultz (2).

The squad lost 41-30 at Boyne City on Wednesday.

"They are a good team and we did not play our best game. In the first three games nobody had scored more than 19 points on us and we gave up 24 in the first half. I wish we played them again this season," Coach Pummell said.

Leading scorers for GMS: Tobin (11), Hinkle (10),

(7), Nicholas (5), D. Schultz (5), R. Schultz (2).

The team will travel to Harbor Springs on Monday, Nov. 30.

7th grade "green" – The 7th grade "green" boys basketball squad from GMS lost 39-13 at Boyne City on Wednesday, Nov. 18.

"The boys played hard all night. We are a young team and most of the players, it's their first time playing basketball," Coach Jeff McMann said. "We have come a long way since the first day of practice."

Scorers for GMS included: Ricky Birtles (4), Jeremiah McGrath (4), Ty Whitcher (4), Zane Pittana (1).

"Ricky Birtles had a great defensive and rebounding night," Coach McMann said.

The Vikings will host Kalkaska on Monday, Nov. 23.

Bowling Leagues

Recreation League

GMH-NCC 28 - 16
Woody Girls 27 - 17

Ball Buster's 27 - 17

American Legion 24 - 20

Glen's Market 20 - 24

Grayling Nursing 18 - 26

Robin Smith CPA 17 - 27

Days Inn 15 - 29

High Series: P. D'Amour, 591; K. Wheeler, 519; T.

Hellebuyck, 498. High Game: P. D'Amour, 211; A. D'Amour, 203.

Senior League

Gaylord Electric 27.5 - 16.5

Lone Pine 24 - 20

Flowers By Josie 24 - 20

Legion Lanes 24 - 20

Dana Transport 20 - 20

Sylvester's Sports 19 - 25

Bear's Den Pizza 17 - 27

Spike's 16.5 - 27.5

High Series Women: C. Clark, 493; H. Stairs, 461; P. Harris, 176. High Game Men: J. Williamson, 182; H. Stairs and C. Clark, 177. High Series Men: K. Harris, 572; B. Hollis, 484; G. Lake, 465. High Game Men: K. Harris, 232; G. Lake, 179; B. Hollis, 172.

Thursday Morning Coffee

Thanks "A Latte" 28 - 16

Casino Bums 26 - 18

Ladybugs 25 - 19

Bill's Harem 21 - 23

Wanna Bees 21 - 23

Snow Tops 21 - 23

Fearless 19 - 25

Bowling Buds 15 - 29

High Series Women: C. Clark, 502; H. Stairs, 467; K. Moshier, 459. High Game Women: C. Clark, 519; H. Stairs, 184; K. Moshier, 171. High Series Men: B. Holton, 530; D. Canfield, 523; B. Hollis, 515. High Game Men: D. Decker, 212; D. Canfield, 205; B. Holton, 200.

Friday Mixed Doubles

Hill Top 53 - 24

Don Nester 47 - 30

Moshier Auto 43 - 34

Northern Lawn 39 - 38

American Legion 39 - 38

L & L Hauling 39 - 38

Double Trouble 24 - 53

Dharma Music 24 - 53

High Series Women: B. MacKinnon, 541; S. Johnson, 532; P. Younglove, 513. High Game Women: B. MacKinnon, 225; M. Jankowski, 193; S. Johnson, 182. High Series Men: J. Lehman, 635; P. Benardo, 596; D. Williamson, 565.

High Game Men: J. Lehman, 228; D. Wallace, 213; P. Benardo, 212.

Pioneer League

Riverland 30.5 - 9.5

Ole Dam 25 - 15

T.C. Lawncare 22 - 18

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 16, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 287, UppNorthe #3, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 29 Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 12, 2009
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 9, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel E: Being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 4, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 4, Town 25 North Range 3 West; thence South 1 degrees 24-minutes 42 seconds West along the East Section line 331.00 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing South 1 degrees 24 minutes 42 seconds West 145.47 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 36 seconds West 1318.38 feet; thence North 1 degrees 22 minutes 33 seconds East along the East 1/8 line 410.36 feet; thence North 89 degrees 34 minutes 18 seconds East 1318.79 feet to the point of beginning.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donna M Gossett and Kevin A Gossett wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage North, Mortgagee, dated October 27, 2003, and recorded on October 29, 2003 in Liber 657 on Page 62, and modified by agreement dated August 25, 2008, and recorded on February 18, 2009 in Liber 694 on Page 639, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Fifth Third Mortgage as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/4 of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of section 25, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Excepting 33 feet off the South side for road purposes.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 16, Sherwood Forest, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 23, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 287, UppNorthe #3, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 29 Crawford County Records.

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Plaintiff(s), to Mortgage North, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 4, 2005, and recorded on March 14, 2005 in Liber 674 on Page 188, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-2 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-2 as assigned as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Nine And 77/100 Dollars (\$100,569.77), including interest at 8.65% per annum.

C. These proceedings are instituted for breach of contract.

D. That an answer needs to be filed/taken within 28 days at the Crawford County District Court, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, or other action permitted by law or court rule must be taken.

E. That failure to answer or take other action will result in a default being filed against the Defendant RONALD G. CHAPPEL.

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



November 27, 1986 - Dale and Cheryl Melroy won the bidding for a nubian goat at the United Way Auction.

23 Years Ago

November 27, 1986

Crawford County will receive \$157,000 more in "swamp tax" next year because of a state bill pushing state payments from \$1.50 an acre to \$2.50.

Two new Michigan Army National Guard units will be added to Camp Grayling in 1987. The 745th Explosive Ordnance Detachment will have 10-12 guards in it and Company C of the 446th Attack Helicopter Battalion will have about 38 guards in it.

Poor shooting cost the Grayling girls basketball team a shot at the district title in Tawas as Houghton Lake beat the

Vikings 34-29.

Area ski businesses are preparing for the usual rush of downhill and cross-country skiers during the holiday season. Skyline Ski Resort, located in Beaver Creek Township, may be open this weekend if the snow cover stays.

46 Years Ago

November 28, 1963

A project of the Fish Division of the Department of Conservation now under way on the Crawford-Oscoda County line is the construction of a dam to enlarge Pickeral Lake to 100 acres in size with a maximum depth of 28 feet. The waters of the

Middle Branch of Big Creek in Lovells Township, east of Lovells, will feed the new lake.

Grayling mayor Larry McNamara late last week ordered the City Hall closed on Monday of this week and a civic period of mourning out of respect for the death of President John F. Kennedy.

Clair Melroy, operator of two Standard Oil stations in Grayling, has been notified by W.C. Ziegert, Manager of Tire, Battery and Accessory Department of the American Oil Company, Chicago, that he has been selected as a member of the newly formed American Oil Dealer Test Panel. He was chosen as one of 40 American Oil dealers across the country to assist in periodically evaluating new TBA products and ideas.

In Frederic News, the cornerstone for the new Church of God was laid, the Rev. William B. Wilder taking out the first shovel.

As yet an undetermined amount of damage was done to a double unit at the AuSable Motel on I-75 Business Loop last Sunday morning by fire. The unit had been checked out by deer hunters, who after entering the unit, left to go hunting.

69 Years Ago

November 28, 1940

Old Monarch, a famous pine tree which dominates Hartwick Pines northeast of Grayling, stands unscathed following the recent terrific windstorm, but several hundred forest giants in Michigan state parks were toppled by the force of the gale.

Jean Peterson, who teaches at Bear Lake, and Virginia and Beatrice, who attend C.S.T.C., enjoyed the Thanksgiving vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Peterson.

92 Years Ago

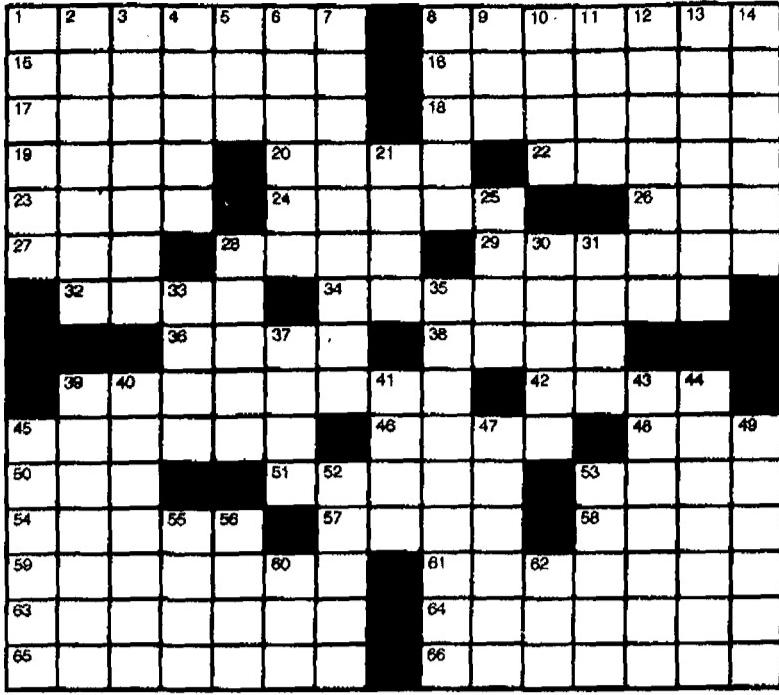
November 29, 1917

Miss Marie Foreman has accepted a position as clerk in the Petersen grocery.

Alfred Sorenson, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Sorenson, was ordained into the ministerhood in the Danish-Lutheran Church. Rev. Kjolhedge officiated, assisted by Rev. Rodholm of Manistee.

Peter F. Jorgenson has opened up the old reliable livery and feed barn on Cedar Street for business. He has been in this type of business since 1903. He has first class horses and rigs and careful drivers for rent.

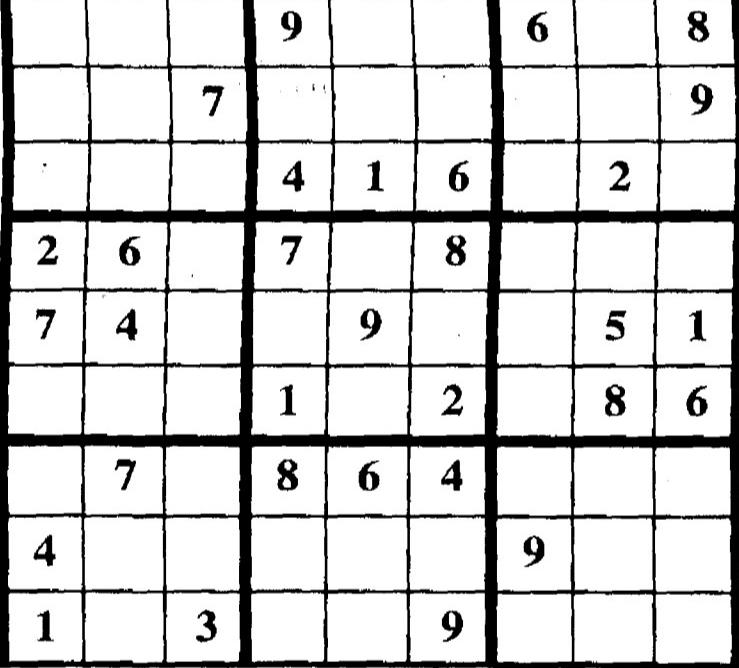
CROSSWORD



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 1. Carts used to carry prisoners to the guillotine during the French Revolution
 2. Partakers
 15. Spanish sherry
 16. Capital of King Arthur's kingdom
 17. Dashes
 18. Group of proteins found in saliva
 19. Capital of ancient Chinese empire
 22-26 BC
 20. And others, for short
 22. Substance that can cause lysis
 23. Ashtabula's lake
 24. Enthusiastic approval
 26. Police officer who investigates crimes
 27. Clinton, e.g.: Abb.
 28. Mosque V.I.P.
 29. Snooty
 32. The Amish, e.g.
 34. Legal right
 36. Air Force heroes
 38. Ado
 39. Highly advanced
 42. Capone nemesis
 45. Second wife of Henry VIII
 46. Energy
 48. Bean counter, for short
 50. "Is that ___?"
 51. In pieces
 53. Adversaries
 54. Radar target
 57. Carbamide
 58. Coastal raptors
 59. Having two colors
 61. Gallivant
 63. Unoccupied
 64. Athletic shoes
 65. Artsy one
 66. Staff of Life
 Down
 1. Hangs from the faulds to protect the upper thighs

SUDOKU

RULES: Fill all empty squares so that the numbers 1 to 9 appear once in each row, column and 3x3 box.



(PUZZLE #12 Easy, Difficulty Rating 0.44)

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

MAZE

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HOROSCOPES

For the week of November 26, 2009

CAPRICORN December 22-January 19	You are blessed in many ways this week, Capricorn. Be grateful and pay it forward. A freak accident at work throws everyone into a panic but ends well.
ARIES March 21-April 19	Memories will be made this week with the celebration of a special occasion, Aries. A new face is a welcome addition to your inner circle. A deadline draws near.
CANCER June 22-July 22	Relax, Cancer. You've been rushing around so much preparing for a big event that you've neglected your own needs. Take some time out for pampering.
TAURUS September 23-October 22	Down-home cooking makes for a delicious week, Libra. Enjoy. Your hectic pace of life will return, along with quick meals and takeout. A fury friend requires serious attention.
GEMINI April 20-May 20	Efforts to green up your home begin to pay off. Share your insight with others, Taurus. An ailing friend could use a pick-me-up; flowers might be just the thing.
SCORPIO July 23-August 22	Acts of kindness permeate the week. Make sure you return the favor, Leo. The race finish a home improvement project before company arrives ends beautifully.
PISCES October 23-November 21	Your ability to put people at ease and make them feel welcome makes you the ideal host, Scorpio. Go for it! A home decor project wraps up sooner than anticipated.
AQUARIUS February 19-March 18	Good fortune smiles on you, Pisces. Share your bounty with others. The debate continues at work. Stay out of it or prepare to feel the heat.
LIBRA May 21-June 21	Help, Gemini! An organization needs your assistance. Don't turn a deaf ear. Give from your heart, and you will be rewarded. A friend deserves big thanks.
VIRGO August 23-September 22	Pictures are worth a thousand words, Virgo, so make sure you take many at a family gathering. You receive the lion's share of the work, but with diligence, you will persevere.
SAGITTARIUS November 22-December 21	You are under the wire with the preparations for a big event, Sagittarius. No need to fear. You will pull it off. A financial mistake is a blessing in disguise.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today! Visit our website for more information.

Rudy
 Rudy is a very sweet and happy go lucky guy. He is an amazing mutt that gets along well with other dogs and loves people. This dog has already been neutered, micro chipped, vaccinated and would be really thankful for a loving family this holiday season!

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 Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday through Saturday,
 10 to 12 pm on Sundays and Holidays
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 For more pets or more information, visit our website www.ascc.petfinder.com

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

ROAST TURKEY WITH SAUSAGE STUFFING

Ingredients:

- 1-1/2 cups hot water
- 2 pkg. (6 oz. each) stuffing mix
- 1 lb. pork sausage

Directions: Heat oven to 325°F. Brown sausage; drain, reserving 1/2 cup drippings. Stir hot water into reserved drippings in large bowl. Add stuffing mix and cooked sausage; stir just until moistened. (Do not stuff turkey until ready to roast.) Stuff neck and body cavities lightly with stuffing. Truss turkey; place, breast-side up, on rack in large roasting pan sprayed with cooking spray. Spoon any extra stuffing into separate baking dish sprayed lightly with cooking spray; cover. Bake 3 to 3-1/4 hours or until internal temperature of thigh is 180°F and breast and center of stuffing are 165°F. Bake any extra stuffing with turkey the last 30 min. of the turkey baking time.

Bake Time: 15 min. Total Time: 3 hrs. 30 min.

Yield: 16 cups, 2 lbs.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week Rain Date H L Indicates		Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)				
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
11/17 46 19						
11/18 50 22						
11/19 54 22 .05	High	High	High	High	High	
11/20 48 40 .04	41	35	39	37	38	
11/21 47 41 .01	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	
11/22 51 28	30	26	27	26	22	
11/23 54 32	Rain/Snow Showers	Showers	AM Cloud/PM Sun	Rain/Snow Mix	Mostly Sunny	

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MONDAY

1. Real Estate

FOR SALE LAND CONTRACT Terms available. Three bedroom home featuring one bath plus garage. Home needs TLC. 9424 South Old 27. \$19,500. Seller is a licensed Real Estate Broker in the State of Michigan. Call Craig 989-348-7440. (10/26/09tf/1)

FOR SALE RECENTLY REMODELED 3 bedroom, 1 bathroom, 1300 sq. ft. home on a full, partially finished basement. Home sits on 5 acres and has a huge garage. New kitchen, new appliances, new bathroom, new flooring, completely repainted. \$97,500. Call 732-7485 or 348-1348. (-12-19-26/1)

2. For Rent

FOR RENT 3 bedroom, 1 bath, spacious kitchen and living room. Grayling Mobile Estates \$575. 989-348-7519, after 6 p.m. (-26/2)

SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007tf/2)

FOR RENT NEWLY RENOVATED 2 bedroom second story apartment. \$525 per month, approved tenant will receive free November rent. To apply call 989-710-1194 or 989-370-2745. (11/05/09tf/2)

2. For Rent

VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS are now taking applications for immediate availability. Very nice two bedroom, two bath apartments approximately one mile west of Grayling off M-72. Units in this quiet community include central air conditioning, attached garage, paved lighted streets and driveways, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. Lawn care, snow removal and garbage pickup included in annual lease. Contact Herb Olson, at 989-348-9456, for more information. (03/26/09tf/2)

FOR RENT 3 bedroom, 2 bath on three acres, \$650 plus deposit. 810-225-0395. (-19-26/2)

FOR RENT 2 bedroom duplex includes all appliances, no pets, \$650 per month, plus utilities. First and security required. 2057 Barker Lake Rd. References required. 989-348-2621. (09/03/09tf/2)

1 BEDROOM in town \$390 a month plus utilities, no pets, references. Call 231-675-1456. (-10/01/09tf/2)

TWO BEDROOM one bath mobile located in Frederic \$400 a month, plus security deposit. Available immediately, no pets. Call Jamie 989-710-0030. (-19-26/2)

BIG HOUSE REDUCED PRICE and Cabins at Lost Acres. 4 - 5 bedroom log home \$495, plus utilities. Cabin #2 \$475, Cabin #3 \$300, both w/free utilities. 11010 N. Old 27, no pets. Call Leo at 1-877-227-6976 or call Mike at 231-590-3699. More details at www.qualityhomeralternatives.net (Northern Michigan Units). (-11/12/09tf/2)

2. For Rent

2 BEDROOM DUPLEX totally remodeled. Appliances, laundry, lawn care, snow plowing, storage. \$495, adult, nonsmoking. 700 A. Smith St. 348-2178. (10/29/09tf/2)

2 BEDROOM APARTMENT \$500 month plus gas, nonsmoking, no pets. 348-4840. (-19-26/2)

FOR RENT NEWER 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with 2 car detached garage, \$650 a month, with one month security. Propane budget \$110 a month. No pets. Located in Beaver Creek Twp. near 4 Mile Rd. exit. Available immediately. Phone 989-915-9563. (-19-26/2)

FOR RENT 3 bedroom, 2 bath on three acres, \$650 plus deposit. 810-225-0395. (-19-26/2)

TWO LAKES home near Fletcher and Grayling Roads, 2 bedrooms, loft, 1 bathroom, fireplace, electric heat, furnished, 313 475-7370. (-5-12-19-26/2)

NICE CLEAN TWO BEDROOM mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. No pets. \$425 plus deposit. 348-2418. (-19-26-3-10/2)

4 BEDROOM 2 1/2 bath, 1800 sq. ft. home in country. Nine miles south of Grayling, 7 miles west of Roscommon. Attached 2 1/2 car garage with fireplace and large deck. Will consider pet. Available mid December \$900 per month, references and security deposit required. 989-329-4826. (-12-19-26/2)

CLEAN 2 BEDROOM HOUSE in St. Helen. New carpet, natural gas, nice yard, Section 8 welcome.

No pets. \$450 month/\$450 deposit. 989-275-8499. (-19-26/2)

2. For Rent

NICE 3 BEDROOM home in town with fenced yard. Monthly rent \$625 plus utilities and deposit, references required. No pets. For more info, phone 989-619-9689. (-19-16/2)

2 BEDROOM HOME \$450 month plus electric. 348-4840. (-19-26/2)

SMALL DECENT 2 bedroom mobile, close to town. \$375 a month, plus security 989-390-3980. (-19-26/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT Maple Forest, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, washer, dryer, dishwasher, cable ready, garbage pickup. Sorry no garage or pets. \$800 a month, utilities included. \$200 security. 989-344-0309. (-19-26/2)

FOR RENT EFFICIENCY \$400 a month plus gas, electric included. Available 12-4-09. Call 989-915-1178. (-26/2)

3 BEDROOM plus family room in city, very nice. Sec. 8 approved. 989-390-5335. (-26/2)

FOR RENT Newly refurbished 2 bedroom apartment located at 911 Elm Street, Grayling. \$475 per month plus deposit and utilities. Snow plowing and lawn care included in rent. Call Northwood Rentals 989-344-8787. (-26-3/2)

FOR RENT NICE 2 bedroom apartment, with garage located near the Grayling High School. \$650 per month, plus deposit, includes all utilities - heat, electric, water, snow plowing and lawn care. Call Northwood Rentals 989-344-8787. (-26-3/2)

WHISPERING PINES APARTMENTS is currently accepting applications for 1-and 2-bedroom apartments. We are accepting applications for Seniors 62 years of age and older and Handicap/Disabled persons, regardless of age. Income-based rent is available. Apartments feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more. For more information, or to tour the property, please call (989)344-0020.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY TDD 1-800-649-3777. 

Grayling Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for 1-and 2-bedroom apartments. Income-based rent is available. Apartments feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas and private patios/balconies. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more. For more information, or to tour the property, please call (989)344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777. 

SUDOKU

2. For Rent

FOR RENT VERY NICE 3-4 bedroom home located on Fawn Lake near Waters. Wonderful view of the lake from the kitchen living room, with huge walk out deck. Also walk out basement directly to the lake. Large attached heated garage. \$675 per month plus deposit and utilities. Call Northwood Rentals 989-344-8787. (-26-3/2)

3. Employment

HIGH PAYING CAREERS for women/men in transportation. Contact Liberty Truck Driving School. Call toll free for information 1-888-602-5966, www.libertytruckdrivingschool.com. (-15-22-19-5-12-19-26-3-10-17-24-31/3)

CAREGIVER NEEDED Grayling area, approximately 14 hours a week, would like experience with behavior issues. Also needed fill in part time caregiver for all aspects of personal care for female in wheel chair. Must have valid Michigan drivers license, be able to pass State Police background check. Flexible hours a must. Must be available weekends and holidays. 989-732-6374, ext. 9, BOE. (-19-26/3)

4. Services Offered

RTH HOME IMPROVEMENT all your interior and exterior needs. Garages, additions, drywall, painting, roofing, siding, decks, and more. Licensed and insured, free estimates. Rob Harrington 989-344-1383. (-9/16/04tf/4)

LIFE PROBLEMS getting you down? Call GRACE Center, 989-348-2544. (3/19/09tf/4)

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES

start Dec. 2 at Hanson Hills. Pre-registration required. Contact caninebydesign@hotmail.com.

Bert Abbott 989-786-7144. (-5-12-19-26/4)

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House isn't ready for holidays? or maybe older loved ones need help cleaning? Call Maid Service. Deep cleans, banisters, stairs, bathroom, kitchens. You name it, we clean it! References 989-254-9256. (-19-26-3/4)

HANDY GIRLS

If you need help with cleaning, cooking, errands, give us a call. Mikey & Deana 348-7957, 344-0309. (-19-26/4)

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A ROOF OVER YOUR HEAD

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5786 Fairground Lane in Grayling

Join us for a heartwarming event to celebrate the animals that have brought such joy into our lives. For a donation of \$5, you can honor your pet by placing a "Paws to Cherish" ornament on the shelter's Christmas tree, generously donated by shelter volunteers, Harold & Dee Maas. Be there to help us decorate this special tree and help raise funds to care for the animals awaiting adoption.

Use the form below to reserve an ornament. If you cannot attend, our shelter volunteers will be happy to place the ornament on the tree in your pet's honor. Ornaments will also be on sale at the event.

Paws to Cherish Ornament Order Form

This Ornament is in Honor _____ or Memory _____ (Please print clearly)

Please use a separate piece of paper for multiple honorees and include \$5 donation for each honoree.

Donor name: _____ Phone # () _____

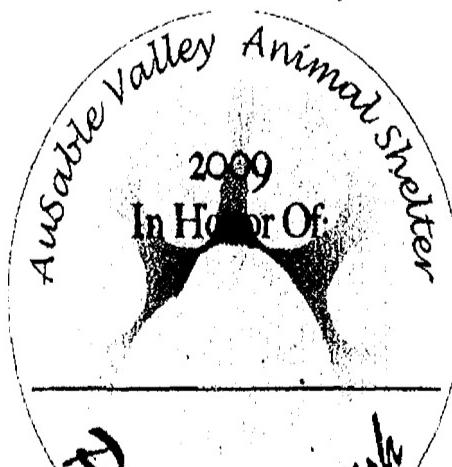
Address: _____

**I would like the ornament sent to me as a keepsake: Yes No (circle one)

Make checks payable to: AVAS and mail to: P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738-0384.

Or drop off form and donation at the shelter.

All proceeds to help pay for our new shelter. Thank you for your support!



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**FOR SALE FOLEY-BEL-
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8. Announcements

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2001 CHEV 2500 heavy duty, crew cab, LT, 156,000 miles, with plow. Good condition, \$9,800. 989-275-5703. (-19-26/5)

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3 PLACE FLAT TRAILER good condition, garage kept, 8 x 15 Continental. \$1,150 OBO. 989-348-1315. (-26/5)

8. Announcements

6. Wanted

WOW Don will pay up to \$300 for junk vehicles, up to \$500 commercial. 231-587-0856 or 888-468-7313. (4/2/09/f/6)

BUYING SCRAP METAL All grades. SMR 989-275-6041. (10/16/08/f/6)

WANTED Junk vehicles, will haul, Paying cash. Call Gene at Wakeley's Auto Parts, 989-348-5079. (LR1/21/10/6)

HEARTLAND HOSPICE is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Crawford and the surrounding counties. Volunteers make friendly visits, hold vigil, crochet/knit lap blankets, provide relief visits for caregivers and much more. Your schedule is flexible and we welcome snowbirds. If interested, please call Mary Shortt, Volunteer Coordinator toll free at 1-866-248-0253. (-19-26/3/6)

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8. Announcements

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9. Personals

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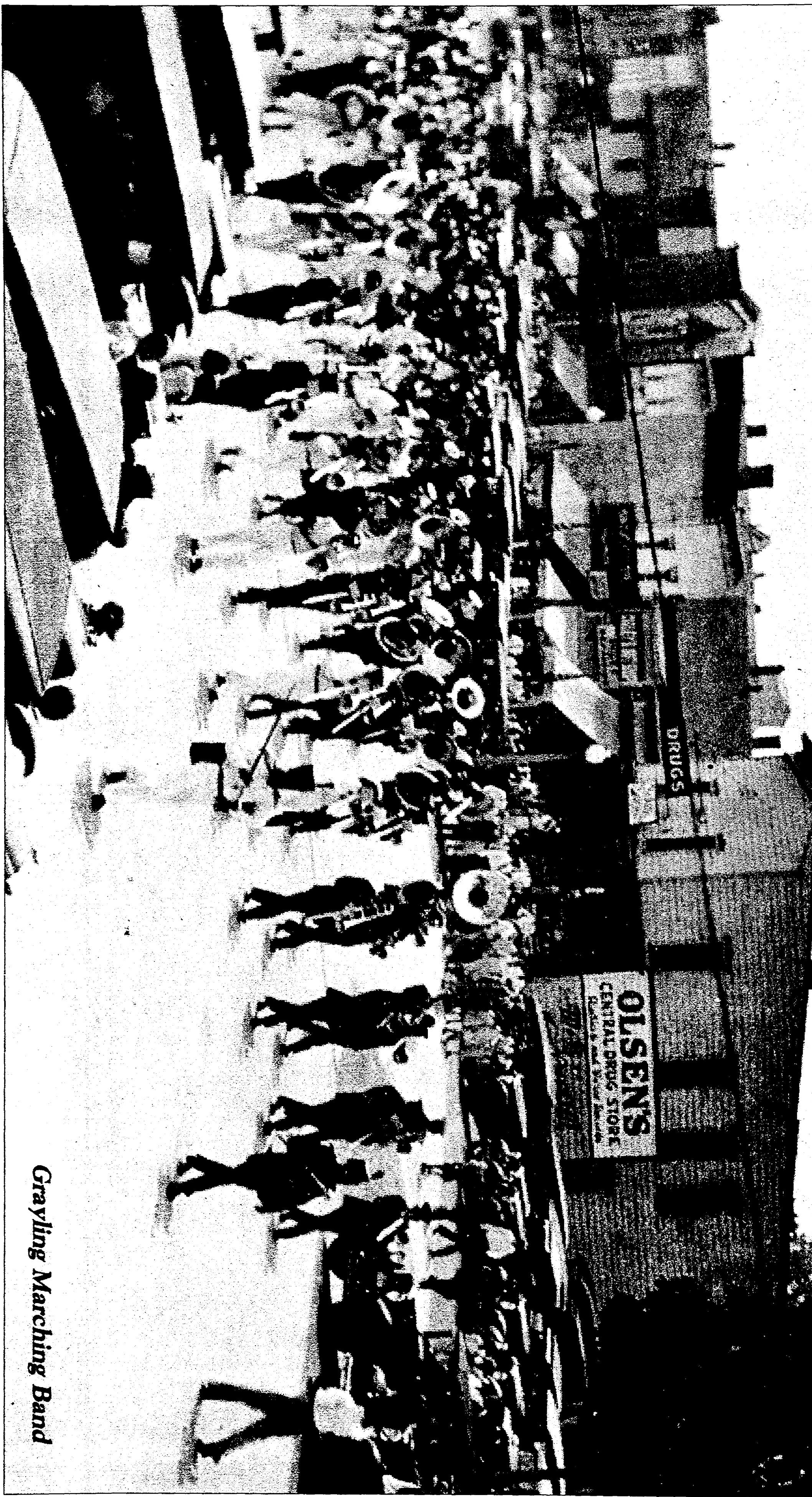
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		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
						Hanukkah
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

First Day of Winter Christmas Eve Christmas Day New Year's Eve



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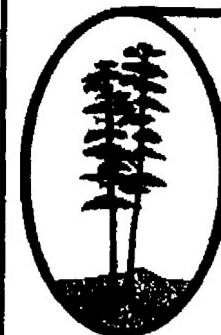
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Winter Activities



Winter Trail Days
Jan. 9th- 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Ski By Lantern Light
Jan. 2nd, 16th, & 30th
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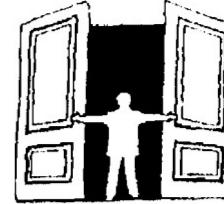
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January

2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
						New Year's Day
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

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February 13th & 27th.
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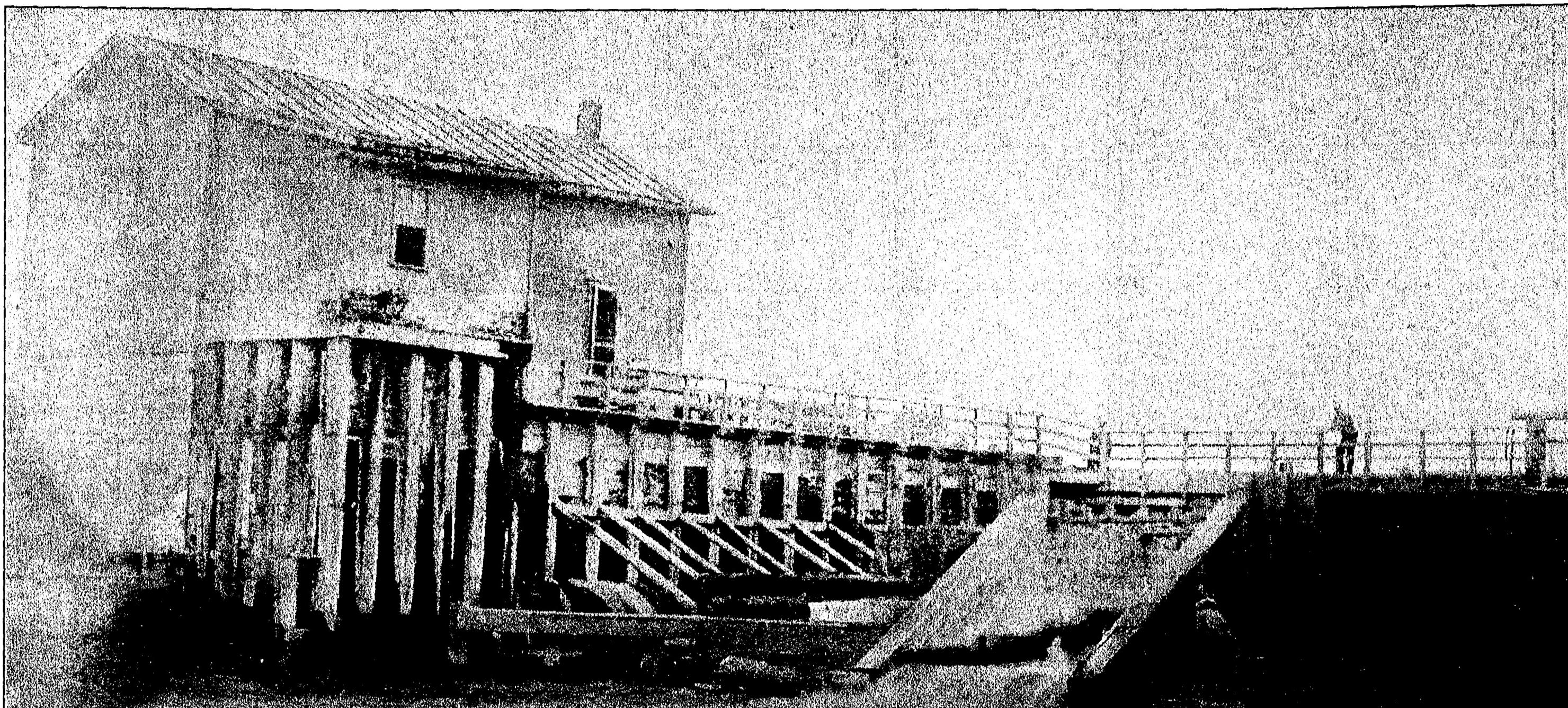
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February

2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Groundhog Day			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Valentine's Day	President's Day		Ash Wednesday			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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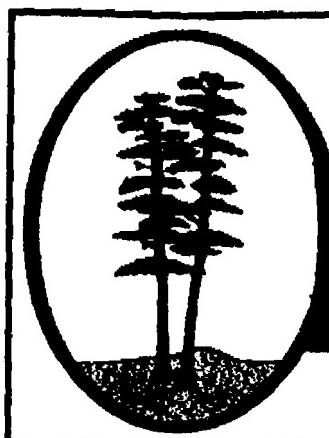
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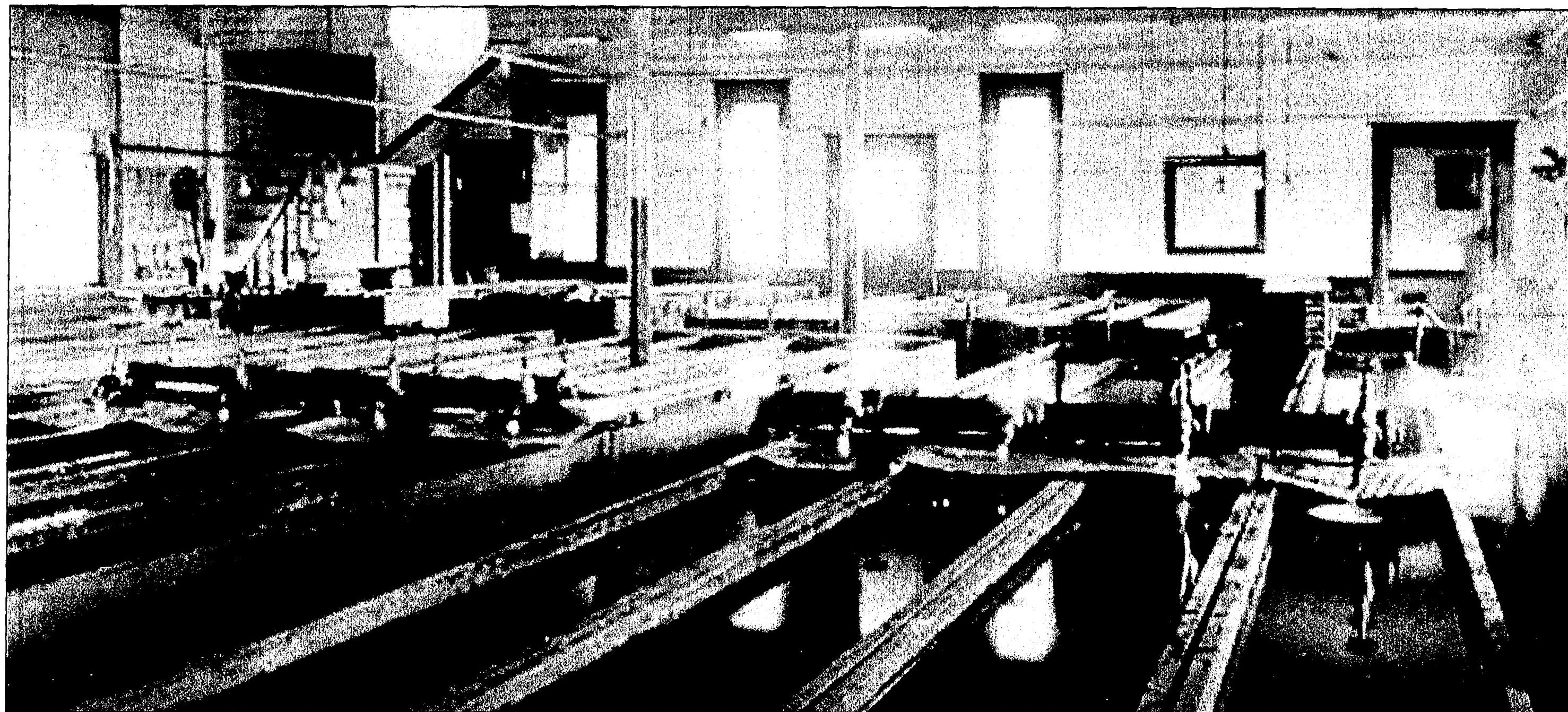
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Grayling Fish Hatchery

Interior of the State Fish Hatchery Building, showing the rearing boxes for raising fish.
Building is located on North Down River Road, east of downtown Grayling.

March

2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Daylight Savings Time Begins			St. Patrick's Day			First Day of Spring
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			
Palm Sunday	Passover					



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Herman Schrieber with his sister Elizabeth Schrieber displaying their catch of the day at Big Creek, near the North Branch of the AuSable River in Lovells.

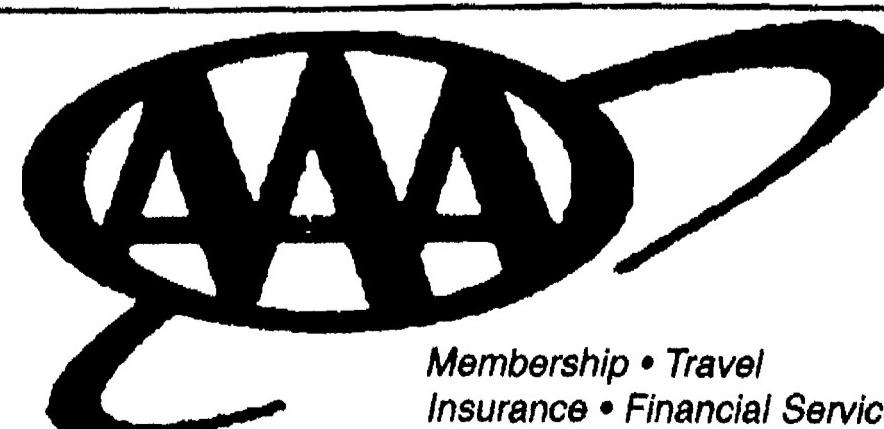
April

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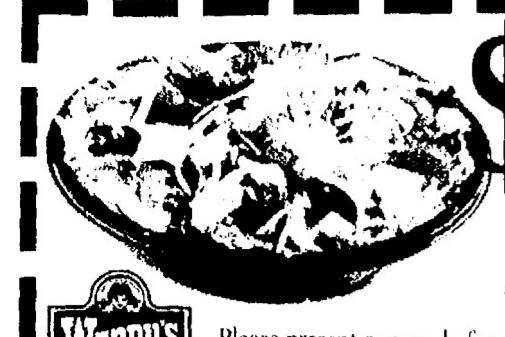
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 April Fool's Day	2 Good Friday	3
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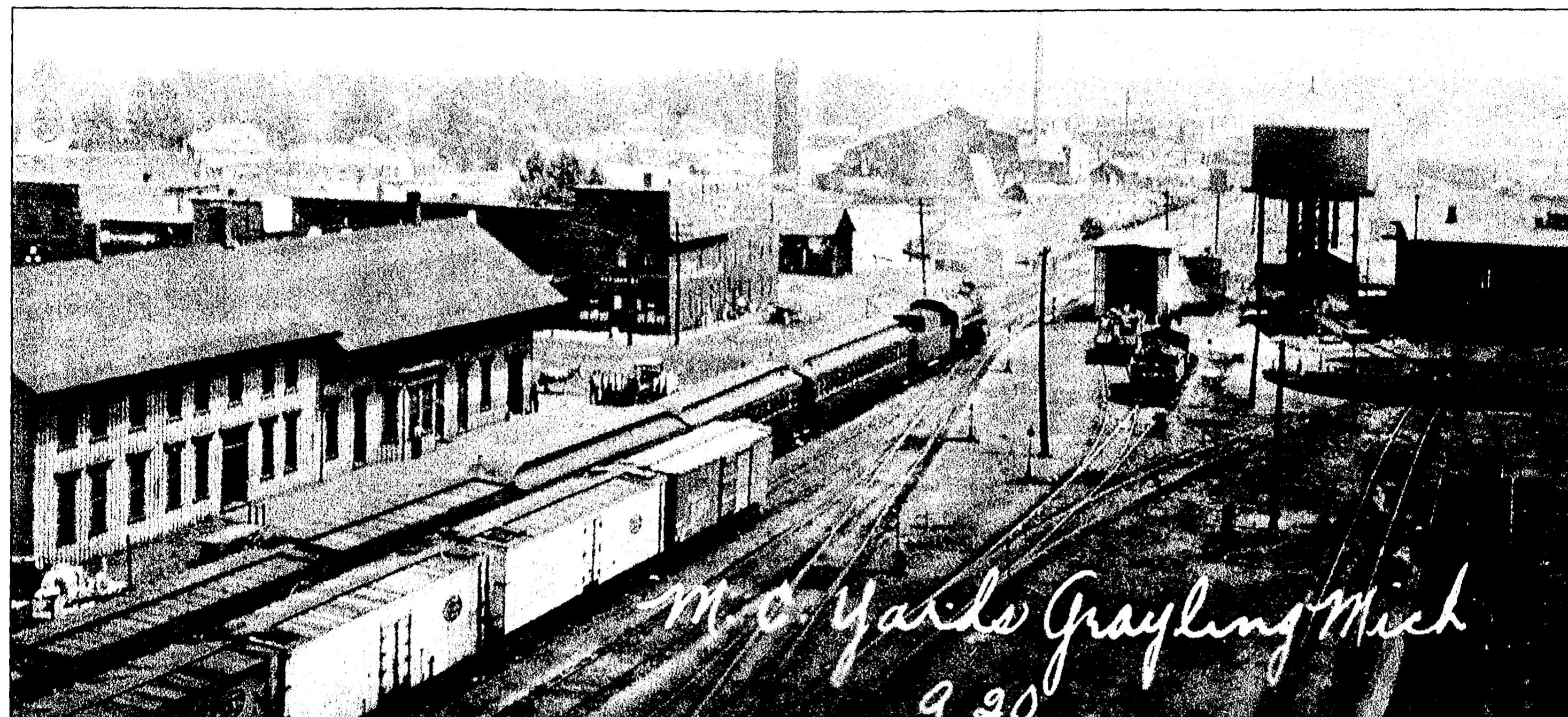
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Looking south from a water tower in the train yard. The Train Depot on Michigan Avenue and Norway is to the left, turn-around to the right, Salling Hanson Mill Center is in the background.

May

2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Mother's Day						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	Memorial Day				

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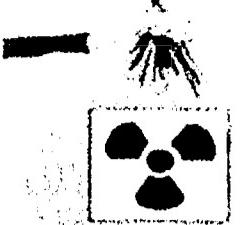
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**Joy Riding**

A summer day at the cottage on Portage Lake. Mr. and Mrs. T. Hanson are in the car on the left.

June**2010**

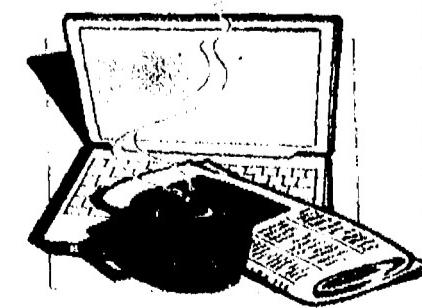
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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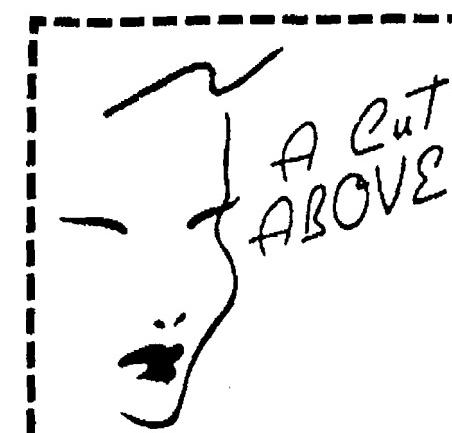
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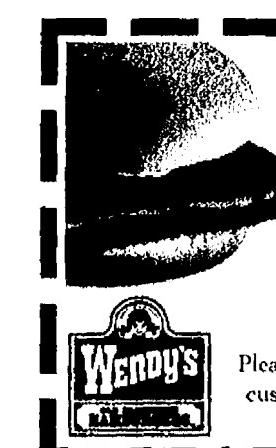
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Du Pont Avenue

Looking south on the current I-75 Business Loop,
these homes were across from the Grayling Mini-Mall area.

July

2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Independence Day						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



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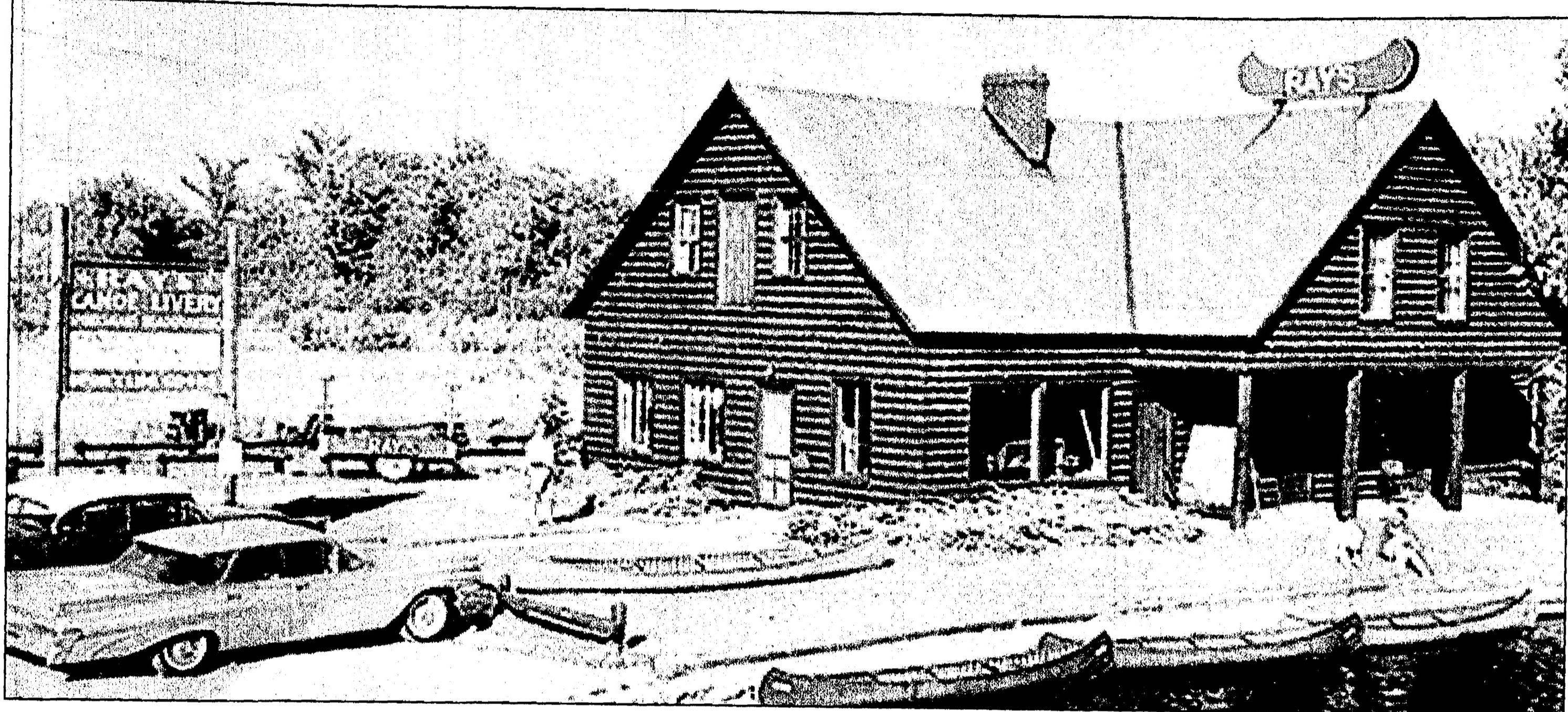
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A Great Day for a Canoe Trip

Ray's Canoe Livery, located off of the I-75 Business Loop, pictured in the 1960s.

August

2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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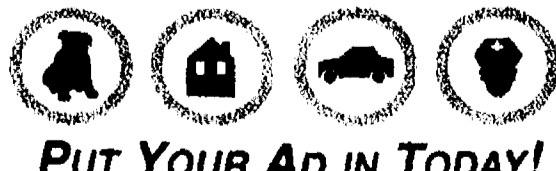
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Grayling High School Football Team

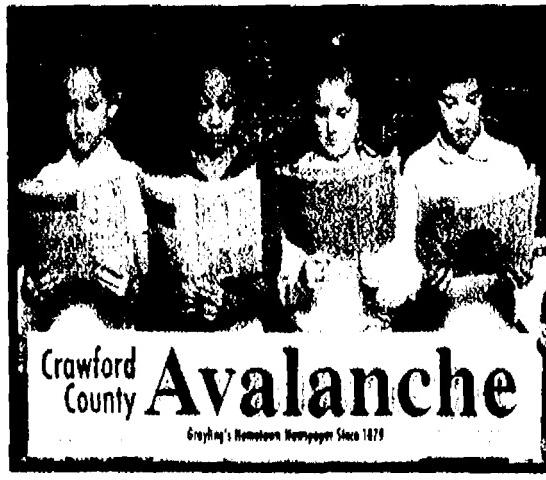
1946 Grayling High School Football team players (L to R) front row: Carl Dean Hansen, Claude Parkinson, Dick Barber (19), Clarke Burns (15), Marty Kitchen (26), Larry McNamara (22), Jim Hatfield (11), unknown (14), Jack Rasmussen (12), Joe Kernosky (6); middle row: Mike Matheson (7), Eddie Carlson (3), Phil Keway (12), Bud Caid (14), unknown (24), Ted Bennett (4), Pat Harwood (13), Emery Craft (11), Dick Grimstead (5), Jim Douglas (15), Jerry-Joe Smock (8); back row: unknown, Eugene Case (20), Dick Bielski (10), Chuck Feldhauser (18), Harry Miller (10), John Hanza (17), Bill Muir (16), John Krage (21), Les Goss (6), Richard Nelson (9), unknown (17) and Coach Willard Cornell. (Photo courtesy of Phyllis Bennett Bray)

September 2010						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Labor Day					
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30		
		First Day of Fall				

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